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Post Office in city car park for Christmas

But it's just for a few weeks, say bosses

A TEMPORARY building in a car park will be home to Ely's Post Office until January 2014, the company has confirmed.

The move has come after the current home, Lloyds Pharmacy on the High Street, have said they will not be renewing the lease.

The company has confirmed they have found new premises at the Premier Convenience Store, with details to be finalised so it can open next year.

But until this is ready, customers will have to visit the portable building behind the High Flyer pub in the car park of the Paradise Leisure Centre.

And while they hope to reopen in their store from January 2014, they have applied for planning permission to keep the building in the car park for five months as a "precaution, rather than a likelihood".

Customers will face a break in services from November 20 until the temporary building is set up and opened on November 25.

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Julia Marwood, Post Office regional network manager, said: "We understand how important having a Post Office is to residents in Ely. It was not Post Office Ltd's decision to close the service in Lloyd's Pharmacy, but longer term I am confident that customers will be very happy.

"While we accept that winter is not the ideal time for customers to visit a portable building, I am sure that customers would prefer this arrangement than no Post Office service in Ely until the permanent relocation is finalised and we have a Post Office to be proud of.

"I know the recent period of uncertainty has been causing concern to our customers and I apologise for this and for any inconvenience caused."

A total of 12 spaces have been set aside in an area of the car park on Newnham Street. Cllr Richard Hobbs, chairman of community and environment committee, said: "We know how essential a Post Office is to many members of our community which is why we have done all we can to help the Post Office find a suitable location in their time of need.

"While it is not ideal to lose any car parking spaces in Ely, we know that the temporary loss of 12 bays is a small price to pay to ensure our residents have access to the services they need."

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OLD FRIENDS: Aaron Wisbey (top row, second from left) and Nato Ficarro (centre) with other members of the club

Aaron's name lives on in martial arts

A MARTIAL arts coach has paid tribute to his "talented" and "popular" friend, Aaron Wisbey.

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Aaron, 37, was a partner at Mercedes Benz specialists Stewart and Wisbey in Lynn Road, Chettisham and was found dead in the garage last month.

Aaron had called his wife, Melanie, 34, at about 9.30pm to tell her he was finishing paperwork and would be home soon.

But when he didn't come home and wasn't answering his phone, Melanie dialled 999 and police discovered Aaron dead on the floor of the showroom.

His friend, Nato Ficarra, has paid tribute to the black belt martial arts teacher and highlighted the great work that the father of two had done in the local community.

Mr Ficarra said: "Aaron was one of my black belts – and a really good one at that. He trained as my student for four years.

"His passion was attention to detail which in this sport is crucial.

"Aaron loved his fighting and was a very good fighter who enjoyed the banter and laugh with the lads. He was a very popular figure within the club and was training hard for his second dan."

Mr Wisbey taught with Mr Ficarra at the Ficarra School of Martial Arts in Sutton.

He also helped to run an academy at the Paradise Leisure Centre in Ely every month where he would help children of all abilities progress with martial arts.

Mr Ficarra says that Aaron will continue to live on within the club, as the first children's tournament, set to be held next year, will be named after him.

Mr Ficarra added: "He helped a lot of local children in the area and helped me teach them.

"He has done so much for the community. He helped so many children in our area and I feel people should be aware.

"The first children's tournament next year will be dedicated to him and the cup will be named the Aaron Wisbey cup. His name lives on in the club."

The Sutton club donated £400 to Aaron's wife Melanie and two sons Louis, 3, and eight-week-old Theo, following Aaron's death.

However, Melanie insisted the club keep the money and use it to buy safety equipment for members.

Mr Ficarra added: "The Sutton club raised some money for her and the children but she asked us to use the money for the children at the club to use for safety equipment.

"Aaron would really have loved to have used the money to make sure the children have safety equipment.

"We are going to have it written on the gloves and equipment that they were donated by Aaron so his name will live on."

Mr Ficarra said hundreds of tributes had been left on an online martial arts forum for the popular tutor.

Mr Ficarra added: "Aaron is just known by so many. He wasn't just a garage guy.

"He not only became one of the best students I've ever had the pleasure of being able to teach, but he also became a very close, dear friend and I will miss him lots."

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HOW IT COULD LOOK: The retail and leisure park planned for the outskirts of Ely is recommended for approval

Retail park looks set to be approved

A HUGE leisure and retail park on the outskirts of Ely with a multi-million pound price tag is set to be given the go ahead by councillors at East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC).

Plans submitted by Healy Investments Ltd earlier this year have been approved in principle by the planning committee at ECDC.

The development, named Octagon Park, will see a new Tesco superstore, a petrol station, a DIY store and a restaurant being built on land south east of Cambridgeshire Businesses Park at Angel Drove. Permission will also be given for six retail units, a hotel, pub and offices.

Developers hope the proposed park will not take business out of the city centre, but would keep shoppers who would currently leave to shop.

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On their website, Healy Investments said: "The new proposals will serve to free up the 'Station Gateway' site currently occupied by the existing Tesco store.

"We estimate that our proposals will create over 300 jobs.

"Many of the tenants we are in discussions with will also provide training and apprenticeships for employees."

Many people wrote to the council in support of the application.

B Mills said: "The sooner Ely modernises, the better. Social and retail improvements are urgently needed."

But others were not in favour. Lorraine Brown, conservation officer, said: "The design put forward is a standard design that features in retail parks across the country and is of little architectural merit."

English Heritage submitted strong concerns over the proposal, saying it would "further exacerbate the harm to the setting of Ely Cathedral.

"A number of uses will be in direct competition with retail outlets in the city centre and may jeopardise viability of the historic retail core".

The application is set to be approved subject to conditions.

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NEW FUN: Children from the Maltings Day Nursery at the Green Flag park

Celebrations over new-look park award

CHILDREN who play at a park in Ely are celebrating after it received a makeover and an award.

The "long awaited event" of resurfacing at Jubilee Gardens means it could once again earn the high standard of a Green Flag – for the ninth year running and the only park to be awarded a flag in the area.

Patricia Simmonds, chairman of the Friends of Jubilee Gardens group, said: " The resurfacing of the play area started as a wistful dream and then became a health and safety necessity. Now you see the finished article and it is such an improvement – safer, cleaner and hardwearing. It really will be a great benefit for all."

Mystery over pantomime poster thief

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STAFF at The Brook venue in Soham are bemused and disappointed over the mysterious disappearance of their panto posters.

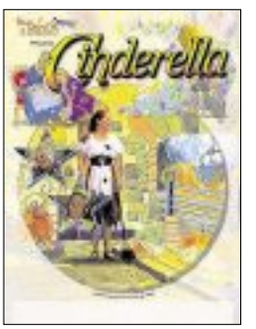
Every one of the posters they have put up in the area for their upcoming pantomime has been torn down.

Dan Schumann, director of The Brook said: "We have been putting up posters as we usually do for our pantomime this year and the first couple we put up were taken down.

"First of all we didn't think anything of it but it seems to have been quite a prolific campaign now.

"Every time it gets taken down we had a new one up. It seems to only be posters for the pantomime. It's got a bit unpleasant now. It seems there is someone who doesn't want our pantomime to do very well."

The venue has been forced to contact the police as the campaign of stealing the advertising seemed to be targeted to them alone.



REMOVED: A copy of the poster advertising Cinderella

Mr Schumann added: "They are clearly being removed by someone. It's starting to get silly now. It's disappointing and upsetting.

"At first we could think it was probably people messing about and taking them down but it seems to be everywhere we put them."

While Mr Schumann simply wants to get the word out about his upcoming event, having to continually replace the posters is now becoming costly.

He said: "We just want something done about it as its costing us money and time, not to mention the fact we have a panto to sell tickets for and not having posters up isn't doing anyone any favours.

"Undoubtedly it's affected presales and it's sad because we want to get the word out there. It's disappointing because all businesses are struggling, not just us. It's getting beyond a joke now."

The Brook's pantomime this year will be Cinderella on December 21. For tickets and more information, call (01353) 721748.

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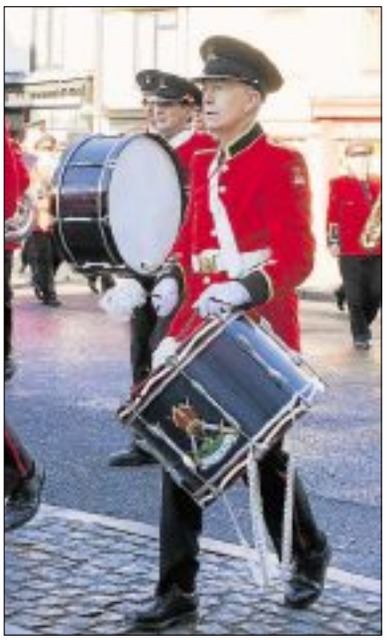

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PAYING TRIBUTE: The Royal British Legion, cadets and troops, including American servicemen, and the City of Ely Military Band led a parade from St Mary's Green to the Cathedral on Sunday

Silence falls as they remember

A SILENCE fell over Ely on Sunday as local people paid their respects on Remembrance Sunday.

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Cadets and troops were joined by the Mayor of Ely, Elaine Griffin-Singh, and the City of Ely military band as they marched from St Mary's Green to Ely Cathedral for a Remembrance Service and two-minute silence.

After the service at the Cathedral, the parade marched to the War Memorial at Market Place to lay wreaths and remember the members of our armed forces.

Stanley Geering, chairman of the Royal British Legion in Ely, said: "The day went extremely well. We were blessed with great weather.

"We have struggled in recent years to get troops to support us after the bases closed down.

"This year the American Air Force supported us.

"It was a great day with many members of the public coming out to pay their respects."

Mayor Elaine Griffin-Singh described the service as very emotional.

She said: "There was a good turnout in the Cathedral and it's always very moving, particularly with the poppy petals falling down from the ceiling during the silence. It was a very emotional day."

Malcolm Fletcher, secretary for the military band, said: "It was a wonderful morning.

"It was a magnificent turnout by the public and we were honoured to have a contingent of American servicemen from Mildenhall with us.

"The sun was shining and we were able to do our duty for the fallen."

In Witchford, veterans who were based at RAF Witchford, now Lancaster Way business park, in 1943 returned on Sunday for a service dedicated to the people who failed to return to Witchford after the war. They were joined by members of RAF Cranwell and air cadets from Ely.

On Monday, crowds turned out for a two-minute silence at the war memorial in Ely's Market Place.

Pictures by Angela Smith

Alarms on train that stopped in Littleport would not activate

AN investigation into an incident that saw a train make an emergency stop in Littleport after overhead power cables crashed through the windows of a carriage has found that passengers could not access the emergency alarms.

Passengers on the King's Lynn to Kings Cross First Capital Connect service in 2012 tried to apply an emergency door handle to stop the train at Littleport.

However, the investigation by the Rail Accident Investigation Branch (RAIB) found that First Capital Connect had plastic covers on the alarms which stopped passengers from accessing them.

They were meant to allow passengers to speak to the driver and have the train stopped within five seconds.

At least two passengers had tried to sound the alarms when the cables smashed through the windows on the service but could not remove the cover. After many attempts, a passenger broke the cover and stopped the train.

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Cloudy2Clear service the Cambridge, Ely, Saffron Walden, Haverhill, Royston & Newmarket areas and Tim is finding that his approach is a major factor in his success. *'The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for, which just goes to show how much a little bit of effort is appreciated.'*

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Show your face. . . or move to Dunwich

READERS may agree that there is nothing more annoying than scanning a controversial letter and then finding that the author hasn't got the pluck to give their name.
This applies to your correspondent who, clearly not a dog lover, goes over the top in describing the so-called nuisance that some dogs cause to bike riders, runners and walkers etc on some local pathways.
The writer goes to some trouble to say that the majority of dog owners are considerate and then makes a huge issue out of the "guilty" minority – so one wonders why the letter was written in the first place.
As a regular Ely dog walker I have to say that bike riders around the riverside and Pocket Park are often a dangerous and arrogant lot, and the same applies to some runners who, festooned with water bottles, BP monitors, heart rate machines (and maybe a Last Will and Testament down their pants) think they are the Olympians of the future.
I'm fed up with the moaners in this lovely city – why don't they move to Dunwich in Suffolk, most of which is now under the North Sea?
As for the anonymous writers, have some guts and say who you are or shut up.
Graham Jones
Windmill Close
Ely

Wo do call our dog to heel

CAN I remind the anonymous walker/cyclist/runner who complained about dog walkers that dogs were being exercised on many of these routes when you still needed to wear wellies even in the summer and it is W/C/R who are new to these areas.
Many times I have been startled by a runner or cyclist coming up rapidly from behind without audible warning of approach and had no time to call my dog to heel.
We call our dog to heel when we see a runner or cyclist approaching because we don't want our dog run into and injured, but we don't keep him continually restrained on the off chance a runner or cyclist chooses to use that path that day.
My dog is insured for public liability damage, how many runners/cyclist are?
Just a quick comment on the parking on High Street on Saturdays – FINE THEM.
Joan Wall
Lynn Road
Ely

A final word on those horses

IT is clear that wild horses wouldn't drag Mr Woollard to Wicken Fen reserve.
I suggest that this debate has now run its course. Let those of us who wish to visit Wicken to enjoy the Konic horses and other wildlife do so.
Those who don't can occupy themselves by sitting at home and writing letters to the paper.
I'm also grateful to him for correcting a typo in my previous letter.
I don't have the time to point out all the errors in Mr Woollard's highly individual grammatical style.
I will leave the matter with this quote from his previous correspondence. 'Let no-one say they wasn't been warned'.
Deborah Curtis

Stop interfering in our bypass

I'M writing in regards to your article regarding an enquiry for Ely Bypass. I gather Mr Monk from the CPRE isn't an Ely resident. I, on the other hand, have lived here all my life and have experienced daily the chaos caused by the railway crossing and seen its effects grow worse.
It really makes me angry that people who don't live in the city or have lived here for only a short time think that they know what's best.
Mr Monk and others say that the bypass will ruin the cathedral and its views.
When the bypass is built the only view that it will spoil is if you are looking north from Stretham towards King's Lynn and that is farmland – no housing, so I suppose it would spoil the view of the cathedral for the rabbits!
Mr Monk also says that we should make the A14 more attractive to use and discourage people from using the A142.
If the proposed upgrades to the A14 are built those parts will be toll roads, the fact that people will have to pay to use those roads is what will make the A142 so attractive to use as a short cut so maybe Mr Monk should put his efforts into solving that problem and not poking his nose into an area that he has no experience of.
I love the cathedral and Ely and would not condone anything that would spoil it and I don't believe that a bypass would spoil any views of the cathedral.
Please all you do-gooders stop interfering and let the bypass be built. We need it, it's long over due.
John Gillson
Ely

Mud on the road is a problem

TWO items in your November 7th paper about mud on the road in the local area have indicated a serious problem.
I saw a car slide into train barriers at Shipea Hill and have experienced numerous mud-on-the-road skids. Also, within the mud, stones get thrown into windshields (two incidents just occurred this week on my car).
While in Germany, it was reported tractor drivers must clean their tyres with water pressure before entering a main road. I saw a driver do this and was quite impressed with how short a time it took to spray four tyres.
I agree with your previous writers, and if I was involved in a serious accident, I would take legal action against the farmer, local council, and police.
None of these need to be told to clean mud when left on a major road. They are liable for their negligence.
Exactly what are the legal terms for this?
Dr Ken J Kovach
Hempfield Road
Littleport

Are you getting the right help?

I WOULD like to tell your readers about our new animation that helps to deliver the potentially life-saving message that everyone with diabetes needs to access the checks and services they are entitled to.
The 15 Healthcare Essentials, which include annual eye and foot checks to help prevent complications, as well as services like good hospital care or psychological support if people need it, are vital for ensuring people with diabetes have the best possible chance of a long and healthy life.
But at the moment too few people with diabetes are getting their annual health checks and provision of services is often inadequate.
One of the problems is that people with diabetes do not know what healthcare they are entitled to.
We hope our animation will help raise awareness of what constitutes good quality care and give people the confidence to challenge healthcare professionals if they are not being offered it.
To view the animation go to www.diabetes.org.uk/15-essentials
Sharon Roberts
Eastern Regional Manager
Diabetes UK

Houses... but nothing else?

I READ with concern that planning permission has been submitted to E.C.D.C. for another 1,200 homes to be built in Ely.
Add to these, one must consider the hundreds being built in Soham or having been recently completed there, plus plans being submitted for new homes to be built in other areas surrounding Ely.
I welcome the boost that this will give to the construction industry, and the many local builders who will be kept in work and may be able to offer more employment in the area.
However I have seen NO applications for new sewage plants, police stations, medical centres or hospitals.
I feel sure this will cause added strain on all the fore mentioned.
Will we be flooded with sewage ? Will the police no longer be able to provide the help and protection they are already struggling to do, will medical centres have extended waiting lists and be forced to provide A&E services?
Will Addenbrooke's and Bury St Edmunds hospitals be able to adjust to these extra demands?
Gordon A Scott

'Exemplar'... Really?

I WOULD like to pose a question to the public and council that serves us.
The Ely Northern Extension is according to planning documents going to be an 'exemplar' development.
I thought I ought to find out what exemplar meant. Apparently it can mean an ideal or a model or typical of a class.
In the light of the recent approval for a new Tesco and ancillary retail units in the south of the city, what is in essence a bog standard retail park, devoid of architectural merit, an identikit of many plopped down into the landscape across the nation... can I make an assumption?
That exemplar in the case of this council does indeed mean 'typical of a class', and that Ely North will be typical of urban fringe development in every other town.
I would hate that the many thousands spent on the various Masterplan documents had resulted in nothing more than an open invitation to developers to come and impose their will upon our city, as seems to be the case with the Tesco approval.
If 'exemplar' is to mean an ideal then either something will have to change or the ideal will be sadly compromised, but then again 'ideal' for the council might be £2.4 million which was the sum up for grabs in the Tesco application, 'for mitigation measures'.
I would very much like to hear the definition of exemplar development used by the council, preferably from the elected members that coined the phrase, and then be able to judge whether they had delivered it.
Councillor Ian Allen (non aligned)

I look forward to meeting you

As the UKIP County Councillor for Littleport I would like to let your readers know that I will be holding an informal surgery at Littleport Library on Wednesday, 20th November from 10.30am.
I can also be contacted via my website, www.danieldivine.co.uk, which gives access to online polls, local news and matters of interest to Littleport residents.
If there are any matters that Littleport constituents want to bring to my attention, I look forward to meeting them either at my surgery or through the above website.
Cllr Daniel Divine

What about the poor horses?

DURING the recent firework display on Cherry Hill, I wonder if anyone gave a thought to the horses that were left in the field next to this event. It seems not, just a handful of animal lovers who seemed to get absolutely nowhere with the RSPCA.
As the owner of the horses evidently had no concern for his animals being exposed to flashing lights and what sounded like minor explosions even heard at my property half a mile away, it was up to the RSPCA to secure a stress free place for them.
Enforcement of the relevant section of the Animal Welfare Act lies with Trading Standards, the Police or the RSPCA as appropriate. The general advice given and by which a breach of that law can be determined is that "Fireworks must not be set off near livestock or horses in fields, or close to buildings housing livestock.
We used to be known as a country of animal lovers but not any longer and certainly not helped by the RSPCA who have once again let the animals down!
Mrs E.F. Cole
Ely

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ON THE WAR PATH: Sue Smith is angry about cars blocking paths close to the hospital

Get these cars off the pavements!

A LOCAL childminder says people parking on pavements in streets near the hospital in Ely are creating a danger.

Sue Smith, a childminder from Ely, is angry over the number of cars parking on the street surrounding the hospital, forcing her to walk in the road with the children she looks after.

Ms Smith said: "We went up to the hospital last week and my son Luke was with me to help me with my children.

"We had two double pushchairs with us and you just cannot get them through on the path because of the cars parked there.

"Cars are now parking on each side of the road and blocking the accessway. It is just ridiculous and absolutely crazy.

"We counted up the cars parked on the pavement and there must have been at least ten or 12 who are parking across there.

"When you walk up there as a pedestrian, more often than not the parking for the hospital starts just the other side of Morton Close."

Part of the land at the hospital was demolished last year and paved the way for more places to park for hospital visitors.

NATALIE ROBINSON

However, Ms Smith says with the number of cars that are continuing to park on the local roads, this is still not enough for the number of people who are using the hospital.

She added: "They have made more parking when they knocked down the old part of the hospital but it's still not enough.

"When they demolished a part of the hospital we were all interested as to what they were going to put there instead. Now we see it's just car parking and you have to wonder where all these people were parking in the first place.

"We saw this car go on the grass level, park up and go into the hospital. They didn't attempt to look for a parking space. It's just restricting access. It's absolutely infuriating."

Ms Smith said: "It's difficult to bring children up there when I am teaching them about road safety and not walking in the road, and then having to walk in the road because we cannot get through on the path.

"If you are aware of what's around you and keep an eye on the traffic it's OK, but it's in no way ideal or safe to have to walk children this way."

Car parking at the hospital is free of charge. However, there are just 186 car parking spaces on site. Just ten of those are disabled spaces.

Tracey Cooper, Unit Manager, Ely and the Fens, Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust, said: "We are concerned to hear about the recent parking problem at the Princess of Wales Hospital, Ely.

"We are reminding everyone who goes to the hospital to park in the designated car parking spaces only and that there is also an overflow car park at the rear of the hospital if these spaces are full.

"Measures are also being put into place to prevent parking on the pathways to make sure that they are kept clear for pedestrians."

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

SHOULD ACTION BE TAKEN OVER CARS PARKING ON PAVEMENTS?

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Topsy and Tim come to life on new Cbeebies TV show

THE adventures of two popular twins are continuing as they made their debut on the small screen this week.

Popular children's book series *Topsy and Tim*, which has sold 21 million copies over 53 years, has been made into a TV series to be shown every Monday on the BBC.

Jean Adamson, who lives in Ely and wrote the books with late husband Gareth, said: "I am so proud, as you can imagine. I illustrated the books and now they are going to come alive.

"I watched the filming in London and the two actors look so similar. It's great to see your work come alive."

The drama will be shown every Monday on Cbeebies at 5.30pm.

Wilkinsons' late start after power failure

IT was a late start for Wilkinsons in The Cloisters on Monday after a power failure left the store unable to open.

Shoppers were stopped at the door by Wilkinsons staff on Monday, November 11 after a power failure meant the tills could not work and purchases could not be made.

The store was eventually reopened by approximately 10.30am, two hours after its scheduled opening time at 8.30am.

On Monday morning, a spokesman for the Wilkinsons store in Ely said: "A power failure at the store meant we could not open on time.

"We have some tills up and running so we are now trading."

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Thanks

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Deaths

AMBROSE
Cecil

of Littleport passed away peacefully at AddenbrookeÂ's Hospital on Friday, 1st November, 2013, aged 98 years. Much loved husband and father of the late Connie and Barry Ambrose, loving dad of Rosemarie, grandad to Richard. Funeral Service at St John's Methodist Chapel, Littleport, on Wednesday, 20th November, 2013, at 2.00pm, followed by interment in Littleport Cemetery. Flowers or donations for Macmillan Cancer Support, may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, Cambs. CB7 4HW

Deaths

WISBEY
Aaron

Of Ely passed away suddenly on Thursday, 31st October, 2013, aged 39 years. Much loved and devoted husband, daddy, brother, nephew, uncle, cousin and friend to many. Funeral service at Cambridge City Crematorium, West Chapel, on Wednesday, 20th November at 12.00noon. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations, made payable to Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust (for the Rosie Hospital) and Nato Ficarra School of Martial Arts, may be sent c/o R .J. Pepper & Son Family Funeral Directors 27, High Street, Soham, Ely, Cambs, CB7 5HA. Tel: 01353 720222

ELSTON
Terri Ruth

Died tragically on 2 November 2013.

Into my heart an air that kills
From yon far country blows:
What are those blue remembered hills,
What spires, what farms are those?

That is the land of lost content,
I see it shining plain,
The happy highways where I went
And cannot come again.

The funeral will be held at the East Chapel, Cambridge Crematorium at 9.15am on 21 November.

No flowers, but donations to RuthÂ's chosen charity, Red Balloon.

For queries and donations please telephone 01223 366052.

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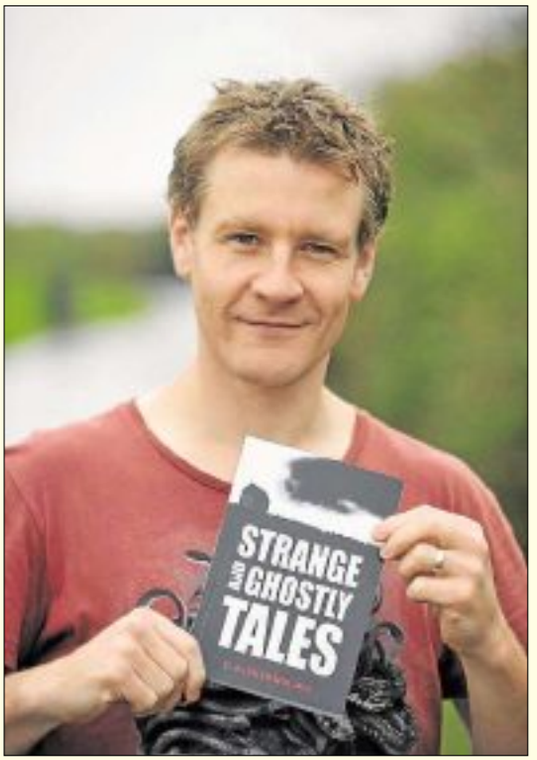

SPOOKY: Howard Barker with the book

City is the inspiration for Howard

FROM ghosts and ghouls to things that go bump in the night, a man from Ely has used the town for illustration inspiration for a book of ghost stories.

Howard Barker, a professional graphic designer and keen illustrator, has designed illustrations for *Strange and Ghostly Tales,* written by his father C. Barker-Holmes.

Mr Barker said: "It's a collaboration between me and my dad.

"He started working as a psychiatric nurse back when there were padded cells so he has a lot of stories to tell.

"I take a lot of inspiration from my surroundings and living in Ely, the cathedral is beautiful but can also have a creepy atmosphere."

The book is available in Amazon and Waterstones now.

‘Majestic’ swans enjoy their first migration meal

SPECTACLE: Dafila Scott with the swans at their first feed

SWANS migrating from the North have enjoyed their first meal at a local conservation centre.

NATALIE ROBINSON

Welney Wetland Centre is now home to thousands of wild swans on their 300 acres of wetland as they migrate to escape winter conditions.

The centre has held its first floodlit feed for the swans, led by Dafila Scott, the daughter of WWT’s founder, Sir Peter Scott.

The Mayor of Ely, Cllr Griffin-Singh and the Mayor of Downham Market, Cllr Sharman, also attended the event.

Emma Brand, events and marketing officer at the centre, said: “There is nothing quite like watching a wild swan feed at WWT Welney.

“Having front row seats to this amazing natural spectacle from the comfort of a warm hide makes it an unforgettable experience.

“There is something about being shrouded in darkness watching these majestic birds swimming on the illuminated lagoon that really feels like you are peering through a window into a fairytale world.”

The event is very popular with visitors and Emma says their reaction is a great part for her.

She added: “Often the first reaction of visitors is one of awe and over the years I have witnessed the reaction of families and bird-watchers alike as they all step through the hide door to have this spectacle revealed to them.

The centre will be open every Thursday to Sunday from 6.30pm so visitors can watch the feed. Visit *wwt.org.uk* for more information.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Appeal for charity help

A COMMUNITY group in Ely is appealing for members to take part in its charity work.

Buffs Lodge in Ely offers a “community of like minded people” who like to support charities and have fun.

For more information, contact Tony Edmonson on (01353) 772829 or send an email to hq@raobgle.org.uk.

Christmas evening raises £180

FLOWERS, food and fun were all on offer at an open evening last week at the City of Ely flower club.

The club held a Christmas Open Evening which saw 130 visitors come to Needham’s Hall. £180 was raised for the Lisa Barns Memorial Trust in aid of Arthur Rank Hospice.

“Christmas Crackers” is the next demonstration on December 5 at Needhams Hall in Ely College. Doors open at 7pm. Entry for visitors will be £5 and £2 for members.

Traditional folk gig to be held

BOTH contemporary and traditional material will be sung at a concert in Ely next week.

Heidi Talbot will be bringing her talents to St Peter’s Church in Broad Street to perform the songs from her album In Love And Light.

Doors will open at 7.30pm and tickets cost £13. Buy them at *ripleymusic.co.uk*, on 07841 881597 or from Burrows Bookshop.

Come down to Littleport panto

WHISTLE while you work down to Littleport Village Hall next month for their pantomime.

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs will be performed between December 6 and 8.

Tickets cost £8 for adults and £6 for under 16s. For more information, go to *littleportplayers.ticketsource.co.uk* or call 07799 604209.

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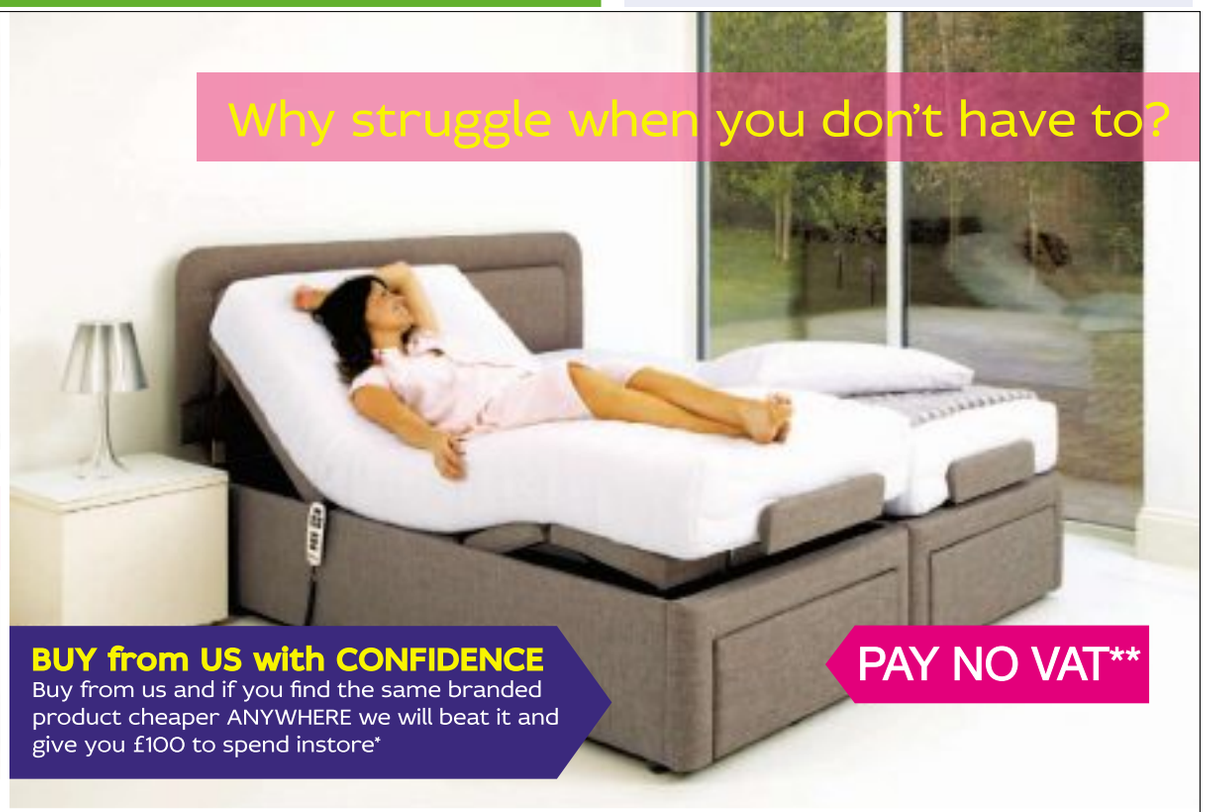
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HAPPY FAMILY: Andrea and Malcolm at home in Sutton with Amy and Jamie

Family's bid to say thanks to charity Bliss

NATALIE ROBINSON

WHEN Amy Bennett was born ten weeks premature weighing a tiny 2lbs 10oz in 2003, her parents Andrea and Malcolm, of Sutton, were thrown into an unfamiliar world as their new baby spent eight weeks in neonatal care.

History then repeated itself when two years later – on Amy's second birthday – Jamie was born eight weeks early weighing 4lbs 3oz.

And while Amy, 10, and Jamie, 8, are now fighting fit, it was charity Bliss that gave them the help and support they needed – and the family are now raising money to say thank you.

Andrea said: "Bliss is a charity that helps babies that are born too soon. The charity means a lot to us as both Amy and Jamie were born premature on the same day two years apart.

"I don't know what I would have done without them. The second time was horrendous. I had a two-year-old at home who was expecting me to bring a baby home. It was just emotional and traumatising."

One in every nine babies in the UK is born premature or sick. Bliss works to provide support and care for families in the situation.

Andrea added: "All the great help and support we received while they were in neonatal and special care could not have been possible without Bliss.

"There is a need for this support out there. I just feel as though a lot of premature baby groups need support and they just get overlooked.

"They need support more than anyone because they do so much for people. All premature babies need so much help and support."

Andrea can laugh at the circumstances of Jamie's birth now. While organising Amy's second birthday party, she started what she hoped were braxton hicks contractions.

But a few hours later, Jamie was born. And the the siblings now share the same birthday.

Andrea said: "They used to not mind but now they're getting older they are starting to dislike it.

"It's just complete chaos on the day in our house! The school always think I've got the dates wrong. It's quite funny when people say 'when are your children's birthdays?' Well they're both the same day actually!"

The family have so far organised cake sales and car boots to raise money. Malcolm ran two half marathons and will be running the London marathon next year.

Andrea added: "So far we have raised £700 but we want to raise a lot more."

To donate to Malcolm, visit *justgiving.com/malcolm-bennett1*.

History of Doctor Who planned for talk

DALEKS, Cybermen, Weeping Angels and Sonic Screwdrivers may not sound like the subject of your average talk.

But for Frank Danes, author and head of English at King's Ely, it will be the only subject he will be discussing next week at a talk celebrating Doctor Who's 50th anniversary.

The teacher has written a new book – *Fifty Years in Time and Space – A Short History of Doctor Who.*

And as many around the country tune in for *Day of the Doctor*, a special 50th anniversary episode of the classic TV show on Monday, November 26, Mr Danes will first be discussing his book on all things Dr Who in a talk which plans to "whiz through the 50-year history of Doctor Who".

The illustrated talk about the cult classic will be held in the Old Bishop's Palace at 7.30pm on Monday, November 23.

Tickets cost £6 and are available now from Topping and Co bookshop in the High Street, Ely or by phone on (01353) 645005.

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Driver was four times legal limit

A DRINK driver who registered one of the highest breathalyser readings ever seen at Cambridge Magistrates' Court has been warned he could face jail.

ADAM LUKE

Gareth Draper, 38, of Monkswood, Littleport, admitted the offence which happened on Friday, causing him to be held in a cell until Monday's hearing.

The court heard Draper had been drinking wine after days of not eating due to depression caused by losing his job and splitting from his wife.

Paul Brown, prosecuting, said Draper continued towards Ely, joining Ely Road and swerving from side to side, accelerating to what witnesses estimated was up to 80mph.

Paul Brown told Magistrates Draper almost had a head-on crash with a van travelling in the opposite direction, while two drivers had to take "emergency action" and mount kerbs before he stopped near Ely Community College.

Police arrested Draper and recorded 136mg of alcohol in 100ml of breath, almost four times the legal limit at 35mg.

Nick Symonds, mitigating, said he was "appalled" his client was held in custody all weekend, and said the offence was "isolated". He said: "He is not someone who is daily dependant on alcohol, but on this occasion he had drunk to excess."

The high alcohol reading and nature of driving saw magistrate Claire Robinson requested a pre-sentence report to assess options, including custody. Draper was bailed to reappear on December 2.

COMPETITION

Win lunch for two at the White Pheasant in Fordham

ONE lucky reader can treat someone special to a delicious three-course lunch for two at The White Pheasant.

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With an emphasis on locally-sourced produce alongside award-winning wines, this family-owned restaurant offers everything from light lunches or a traditional Sunday lunch to the finest a La Carte menu.

The epitome of country dining, boasting a beautiful open fire and weathered floorboards, the Pheasant is now taking bookings for Christmas parties with a special menu of exquisite dishes designed for the winter months such as braised cheek of Hereford beef or a Ballotine of Gressingham duck. The Christmas Day menu will be announced shortly.

THE TEAM: From left, restaurant manager Kim Baker, co-owner Andrea Holland, chefs Sebastian Zabinski and Jack Fraser, co-owner Gary Holland and co-owner and head chef Calvin Holland

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Mains

Roast Turkey
Roast Norfolk turkey served with homemade sage and onion stuffing, pigs in blankets, toasted potatoes with garlic and rosemary and honey roast parsnips, Brussels with chestnuts, baton carrots and mashed Swede.

Roast Beef
Roast topside of beef served with a homemade Yorkshire pudding, roasted garlic and rosemary potatoes honey roast parsnips, Brussels with chestnuts, baton carrots and mashed Swede

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Chicken Liver Pate
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Mains

Roast Turkey
Roast Norfolk turkey served with homemade sage and onion stuffing, pigs in blankets, roasted potatoes with garlic and rosemary and honey roast parsnips, Brussels with chestnuts, baton carrots and mashed Swede.

Topside of Beef
Roasted topside of beef served with Yorkshire pudding roasted rosemary and patatoes,honey roast parsnips, Brussels with chestnuts, baton carrots and mashed Swede and a rich red wine Jus

Fillet of Salmon
Roasted fillet of salmon on a bed of fine green beans and samphire served with crushed new potatoes and topped with a white wine, cream and tarragon sauce

Butternut Squash
Roasted butternut squash filled with a tomato, spinach and goats cheese sauce between layers of lasagne served with mixed leaves, cream and tarragon sauce

Vegetable Wellington
Roasted honey roast parsnips, Brussels with chestnuts, baton carrots and mashed Swede wrapped in filo pastry and served on a bed of wilted spinach with a tomato sauce & red wine jus

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Desserts

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In the dark over street lights row

RESIDENTS are angry as a street in Ely has been left in darkness after confusion over who maintains the street lights.

NATALIE ROBINSON

The residents of Morley Drive in Ely have been left in darkness for at least 18 months after their lights stopped working and no one came out to replace them.

Local people have contacted both Cambridgeshire County Council and developers Taylor Wimpey. However, the lights are looked after by Balfour Beatty.

A resident of Morley Drive, who did not want to be named, said: "We are in total darkness around here. The developers are saying it's not their responsibility and the council are saying it's not theirs either.

"In the meantime we are left with no streetlights. I feel like asking for a refund on my council tax. It makes you feel that no one is accepting responsibility for what could be dangerous. It's not a dangerous area but it's not acceptable to have it in darkness for this long.

"There's also a health and safety aspect to it. Part of the role of a street light is to make sure you can see where you're going. I just think someone really needs to own up to the responsibility. It's very important. There are lots of children around here as well. It's an issue of safety."

Speaking on Tuesday, a spokesman for Cambridgeshire County Council said: "Thank you for bringing this to our attention. We have passed on the details to our contractors and they will be sending out a team to do any necessary repairs to the lights today."

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PASSING THE TRADE: Yolanda and Maya in the shop

Fond farewell to Ely seamstress

A SEAMSTRESS is putting down her sewing for the last time in Ely as she leaves her clothing alteration shop after six years.

Yolanda Barovska has been running Clothing Alterations and Repairs in Lynn Street, Ely for the past six years but she is now handing the business to new hands as she returns home to Latvia.

Maya Taylor is now set to take over the business, although Yolanda says she is sad to go. Yolanda said: "I would like to say a big thank you to all my customers in Ely who have supported me over my time here. I'm sad to be leaving but Maya will do a great job."

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Nearly new sale at village hall

A NEARLY new sale has been planned for Busy Fingers Pre School on Saturday.

Little Downham Village Hall will be playing host to the raffle. Cakes, tea and a raffle will also be on offer for visitors.

The sale will run between 10am and 12pm on Saturday, November 16. Admission is 50p for adults and free for children.

Learn a new skill for Christmas

'TIS the season to learn a new skill for the festive season.

Soham Library is offering skill sessions from Christmas table decorations, sugar crafting, manicures and facials on Saturday, December 14 between 10am and 12.30pm and 1pm until 3pm.

Sessions cost £15 each or £25 for two. To book, email igiskillsbuild@outlook.com or call 07549 947123.

Enjoy coffee and shopping

GRAB a coffee and a scone, then have a look around the stalls as Ely Methodist Church launch a Christmas coffee morning. Stalls selling cards, books and cakes will be at the morning, with light lunches also available costing £4.

The morning will run from 10am to 12pm on Saturday, November 23 at Ely Methodist church.

Open house for fairtrade today

COME down to an open house and see what fairtrade goods are on offer this week.

Fair Trade crafts and foods will be available for sale and visitors can also enjoy a cup of fairtrade tea or coffee.

The open house will run on Thursday, November 14th, Friday, November 15th and Saturday, November 16th at 30A Barton Road, Ely. Call (01353) 666905.

Disabled man hits out at new parking restrictions

A DISABLED man has slammed parking restrictions in an Ely car park.

NATALIE ROBINSON

Eddie Holden has been a long time user of the Brays Lane car park, at Waitrose.

Disabled drivers used to be able to stay for as long as they needed.

However, since it changed ownership to Britannia Parking Ltd, disabled people are now faced with a two hour limit – or hit with a £70 fine.

Mr Holden said: "The council had it so disabled people could park there for as long as they liked but now Waitrose has taken it over and they are employing Britannia Parking Ltd.

"All disabled people are down to two hours like everyone else. If you are over two hours you get an instant £70 fine from the warden who walks around the car park."

The Little Downham resident has already received a warning for staying over two hours. He was also concerned about what the new restrictions would do for footfall in Ely.

He added: "Before this I could park and stay for however long I wanted and needed which meant I could come into Ely and look around all of the shops and get what I needed in my own time.

"Now I have to come in and just go into some shops. I couldn't stop for a meal or anything like that if I wanted to because there's no time.

"Ely is going to lose out on people spending money because they don't have time to look around the city centre."

And Mr Holden is not the only person to be angered by the new time limit.

Ely resident Arthur Cutter said: "In the past I have been parking in the disabled bay but now I park in a different car park just to avoid the charges and limit.

"I do still use the car park but you have to be quite careful about how long you're out for."

Britannia Parking said they were unaware of the complaint and did not wish to comment.

A spokeswoman for Waitrose said: "We had requests from our customers at Waitrose Ely to reduce the length of stay for the disabled car parking spaces as they are often full so we have responded to these requests."

UNFAIR: Eddie Holden in the Waitrose car park

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NEWS in Brief

Spruce up the gardens in Ely

GRAB your trowels, kneeling mats and bulbs and get ready to do some planting this weekend to put a burst of colour into theJubilee Gardens.

The Friends of Jubilee Gardens will be planting spring bulbs to complete the winter garden on Saturday, November 16, so the bulbs can create a burst of colour in springtime.

The gardening will begin at 10.30am. All ages are welcome.

Pet parade planned for vets

BRING your pets down to a vets this weekend as it relaunches in Ely.

Cathedral Veterinary Surgery on Newnham Street will be reopening this weekend – and your exotic pets are invited to take part in their pet parade.

A vet specialising in exotic pets will also be taking part in a question and answer session on the day, as well as face painting and a party.

The fun starts at 3pm. All are welcome. For more information, contact (01353) 662079.

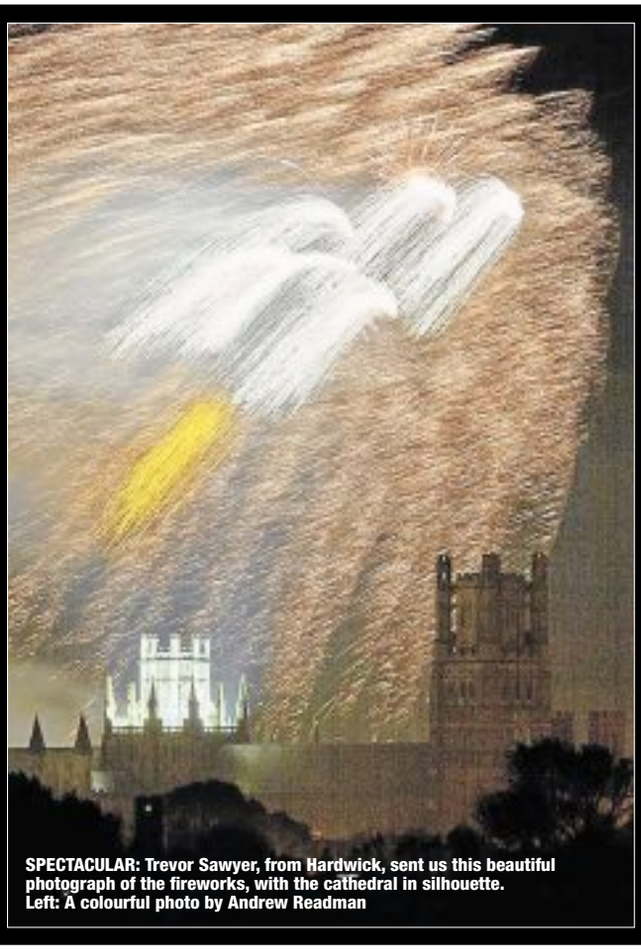
Donate to food bank appeal

AN ESTATE agents in Ely is asking for donations from local businesses for a food bank over the festive season.

Tucker Gardner in Market Place are set to provide Christmas hampers to foodbank clients.

They are now asking local businesses to make donations of non-perishable goods to their Christmas fayre.

To donate, drop into the branch on Market Square or call the branch on (01353) 616130 to arrange a collection ready to be passed to the food bank in December.



SPECTACULAR: Trevor Sawyer, from Hardwick, sent us this beautiful photograph of the fireworks, with the cathedral in silhouette. Left: A colourful photo by Andrew Readman

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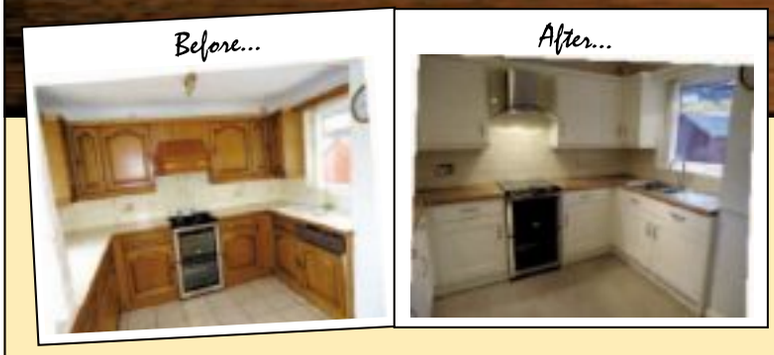

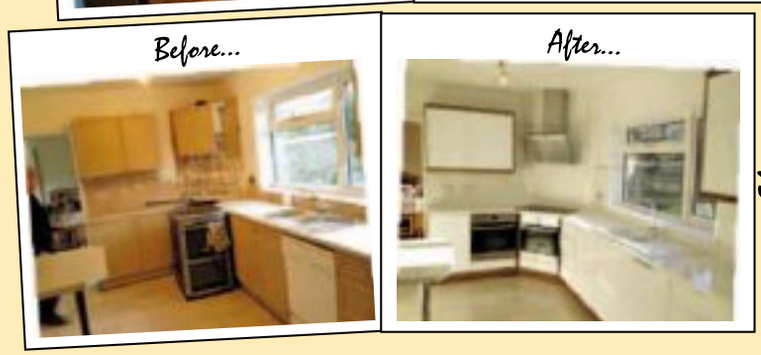

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Sparkling performance

Glowing reports from Saturday night's fireworks display on Cherry Hill

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AN incredible 9,000 people were estimated to have turned out on Saturday night to watch the annual firework display on Cherry Hill.

A total of 21 schools from the local area took part in the Guy competition, winning £100 and the top prize of £250 went to the Rainbow Pre School in Downham Road.

Stalls, fun fairs and refreshments were also provided on the night.

Andrew Allebone from Waterbeach said: "We were most impressed not just with the display but with the organisation of all the helpers."

Sam Tolley, of Chatteris, said: "This was my family's second year of attending and it's been the best show we've seen."

The evening, organised by Ely XT with the help of over 50 local volunteers, has raised over £50,000 over the last five years for good causes in and around the Ely area. In the past 12 months, they have donated £15,000.

And at an Ely care home last week, 220 people attended a fireworks display in their grounds to fundraise.

Littleport Grange provided a bonfire and fireworks, as well as some pumpkin soup made by chef Karen Smithers.

A total of £570 was made at the evening, which is set to go towards upgrading the grounds of the care home.

Kathryn McGuirk, manager of Littleport Grange, said: "It was a fantastic night – everyone really enjoyed it and got into the spirit of things.

"It was Littleport Grange's first ever fireworks display, so we thought it would be a nice idea to invite members of the public to help us celebrate.

"It was a great success and we hope we've established a Littleport tradition which will now continue for years to come."

Picture by Clare Tedstone

Picture by Keith Tedstone

OFF WITH A BANG: Picture by Sam Tolley

Club raises £700 for cancer charity

FROM pool tournaments to discos, fundraisers got together in Soham at the weekend to raise money for Cancer Research UK.

The Comrades Club in Soham raised £700 in a pool competition on Saturday, November 9 for the charity – and they are now hoping to get the amount matched so they can donate even more.

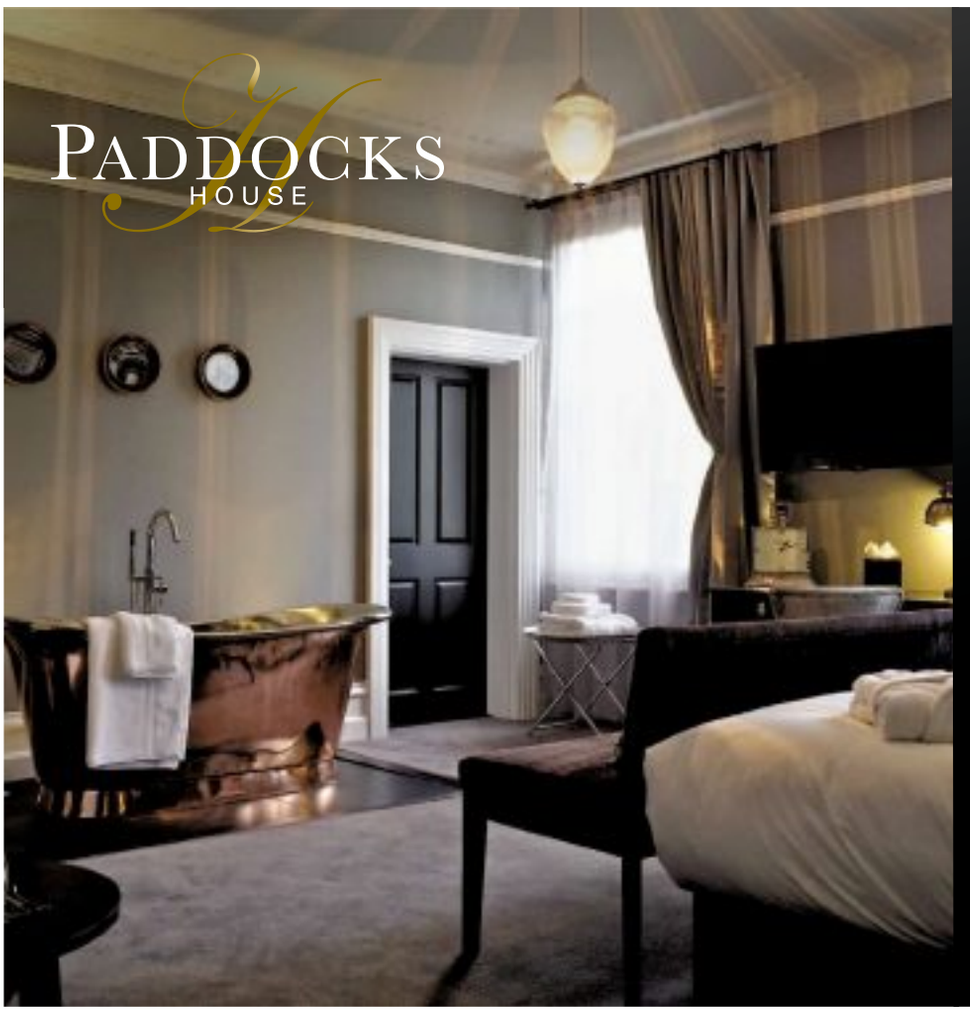
Janice Farrell, an organiser of the event, said: "It went absolutely brilliantly. We've made lots of money for the charity and it was a great day.

"The winner of the pool competition chose to donate his prize of a pool cue to one of the younger winners to get them to continue playing so it was really nice."

The day went on from midday to around 9pm, with people enjoying a pool competition, disco and a buffet laid on by the Comrades Club to raise money for the charity.

They now hope to continue their fundraising well into next year to help the charity that affects so many people.

Ms Farrell added: "We are now hoping that the Comrades Club will be able to make Cancer Research their chosen charity so we can continue fundraising into the new year and raise even more money than we did."



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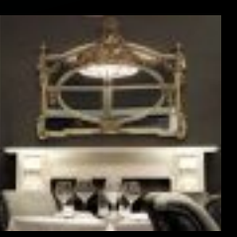

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Lasting legacy of our beautiful baby Jacob

Bob and Claire Wright's whole world was torn apart when their beloved Jacob Bear passed away at just 18 months old. Here, they tell Lydia Fallon how their lives changed in the 501 short days he was by their side – and why they are determined to ensure their baby boy is never forgotten.

JUST like all proud parents, Bob and Claire Wright have filled their home with photos of their son Jacob. His little face beams back at me from every wall, and with his chubby cheeks, twinkly eyes and beautiful smile, he is certainly one handsome baby boy.

In a home video the couple show me from a holiday in Devon, Jacob giggles away in his highchair, his whole face lighting up as his grandad tickles his chin.

He looks just like any other happy, bouncy baby. But, just months after the video was filmed and the photos taken, Jacob was diagnosed with Leigh's disease, and on April 20, 2012, aged just 18 months, he passed away.

Precious memories are now all the couple have left.

"You can see in that picture how absolutely gorgeous he was," says Claire with a smile, pointing at a photo on the wall. "I know I'm biased but he was gorgeous inside and outside. He had such wise old eyes, and every time I look at that picture up there, I think he is telling me, 'Go on mum, you'll be alright.'

"That's what keeps me going."

The Wright's story began on December 6, 2010, when Jacob – the couple's first child together – was born by caesarean at Addenbrookes Hospital. "We were over the moon, and just completely overwhelmed with love for him," Claire remembers. "We couldn't wait to take him home."

A week later they were able to do just that. But it wasn't long before Claire and Bob, who live in Sutton, began to notice something wasn't quite right. Their initial fears were confirmed when doctors found Jacob had no red reflex in his left eye, and he was diagnosed with unilateral cataract.

He was scheduled for treatment, but while waiting for the operation, Jacob was also diagnosed with mild hearing loss in both ears. It was far from the start the proud parents had wanted for their little boy.

Things got gradually worse. Jacob's feeding began to deteriorate, and the couple noticed he was sleepy all the time. "It was really worrying and I just kept thinking 'Am I doing the right things?'" says Claire. "He was already very behind his friends in terms of his development, but everyone put it down to the start he had. Everything he did he had to have a sleep afterwards. He wasn't rolling over, couldn't sit up or hold on to things.

"Everyone tells you not to judge, but I was worried about my baby and even at that point I remember things going through my head like if he carried on being behind would he catch up? And if he did catch up what would his future be like?"

Jacob was eventually referred to the Early Intervention team and, starting to notice improvements in his condition, Bob and Claire believed things were on the up. But in September 2011, the Wright's world came crashing down once again.

"It was at our first appointment with the physiotherapist," Claire remembers. "Jacob was sitting in his chair, and then Bob turned to me and said 'Does he normally do that?' He was looking to one side and back again, and I said 'No, that's not normal.'"

It turned out Jacob was having a seizure, and he was immediately rushed to hospital. "The doctors decided to do an ECG scan, and the next day we were told Jacob had epilepsy. At that point, I thought that was the worst thing in the world that could happen," says Claire.

From then on their little boy slowly started slipping further and further away from them. "He lost his ability to do most things. He didn't smile very much as it was, but he eventually lost his ability to smile. He was seizing up to 16 times a day for up to 20 minutes a time, and that was day and night," says Claire.

She adds: "Imagine living every day of your life on edge, waiting for the next seizure that you know is going to come. You wonder if that next one will stop, or if it will go past 20 minutes. You worry if the next one will be the one that stops him breathing, or if the next one will be the one that kills him."

As things got progressively worse, the doctors did more and more tests, and eventually diagnosed Jacob with Mitochondrial disease, a terminal illness in which the Mitochondria in the cells are not producing enough energy for the cells to keep working. There is no cure.

Bob and Claire were told they may not have much time left with their son. "We were heartbroken. The thought of Jacob leaving us and the world at only one-year-old was devastating. We loved him so much and he was everything to us; the thought of carrying out our lives without him was just unthinkable."

How did they stay strong? "I think you just have to," says Claire. "It's your job to stay strong, and make and do the best you can for your child.

"I remember when he had his first operation

HAPPY FAMILY: Bob and Claire with Jacon. Below, one of the many photos of Jacob on show at their home.

on his eye, we walked into recovery and he was really upset. He was inconsolable, and it didn't matter what I did he would not stop crying. It was awful and I got really upset.

"But the nurse took my hand and said 'Stop it. This is not the time for you to be doing this. You need to be there for him.' I'll always remember that because she was so right."

A few weeks later, Jacob woke up with a temperature and started resisting his medication. He was rushed straight to A&E, but late one night he stopped breathing.

Bob and Claire were told they might need to start saying their goodbyes. "The worst bit was that as a mum, as a parent, you're supposed to fix your children and help them, and so much of that had already been taken away from me because I couldn't and I felt like such a failure so often," Claire says.

"My mum and stepdad came in to see him and everyone was asking if I was alright, but I just couldn't talk. All I could think of was how was I going to live without him? If he died how was I going to carry on?"

Jacob miraculously made it through the night, but the following day doctors confirmed he had a type of Mitochondrial disease called Leigh's, and what had happened was his brain had stopped telling him to breathe.

"They told us that it would happen again, and if it did, what did we want to do? And that was the point Bob and I had to make the hardest decision that we've ever had to make which was to put 'do not resuscitate' on Jacob."

Desperate to bring their boy back to their home so they could spend every precious last moment with him, Claire and Bob eventually got their wish.

Bob took a sabbatical off work and the couple made a list of everything they wanted to do with Jacob before he died. From picnics in Devon and eating pizza for the first time, to getting measured for his very first pair of shoes, the family were determined to make every day count, and, despite everything, it was a wonderful time.

"We made so many lovely memories during that time," says Claire. "We just wanted to go out and make his last few months as happy as possible."

But Bob and Claire still knew that every second with Jacob could be their last, and while on a family holiday to Centre Parks, Jacob was taken ill again, and at 11.30am on April 20, 2012, he died peacefully in Claire's arms with his Daddy holding his hand.

"He just slipped away, it was really peaceful and I always say that our little boy died in a room full of love.

"Over 200 people came to his funeral, they filled the church, and for the very first day in ages the sun came out and it was beautiful; I'll never forget that," says Claire.

Following Jacob's death, Claire and Bob decided to set up Team Jacum ("Jacob's cousin Hallie couldn't say Jacob, so she called him Jacum," Claire laughs), a fundraising venture to raise money for four charities very close to their hearts: The Sick Children's Trust, Brainwave The Lily Foundation and EACH.

More than £10,000 has been raised already, and the couple are determined to do as much as they can to raise awareness of Mitochondrial disease, support the organisations that help the millions of children across the country with special needs, and, most of all, ensure their Jacob is never forgotten.

"Jacob was so cuddly, he gave the best cuddles. I used to say 'Shall we have a mummy cuddle?' and he would snuggle up, and probably dribble on me a bit. But he was never happier than when he was close to someone," smiles Claire

"He was an incredible little boy, he taught us so much, and changed us as people. He made me a better person."

"There are no words to describe the pain of losing a child, it's with you all the time and will never get better. This is our life now, whatever the future holds, whatever we do, we take Jacob with us."

■ For more information about The Sick Children's Trust, visit sickchildrenstrust.co.uk.

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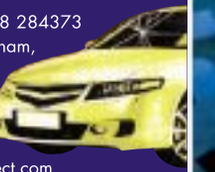

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PANTO DELIGHT: Sarah-Jane Price as Princess Apricot, Terry Cauci as King Crumble, Lucinda Withers as Fairy, Dominic Owen as Silly Billy, Daniel Bell as Dame Trott

'Oh no it isn't!'. '*Oh yes it is*!' – at least it will be at The Maltings soon

THE Christmas season in Ely looks set to be more special than ever this year, with the return to the city of a professional Christmas panto: the first in more than 60 years!

Producer Daniel Bell told us of his delight in bringing his production of Jack and the Beanstalk to The Maltings.

As he explained, the last professional pantomime to grace Ely was in the old Rex Theatre (now Boots!) in 1950. What makes panto's return all the more special is that Daniel and his business partner Katherine Hickmott, of KD Theatre Productions, are both locals, having grown up in nearby Soham. Having trained in musical theatre in London, the pair have been putting on pantos in their home village for many years, and are thrilled to be taking the step up to a full professional production this year.

The cast was selected after extensive auditions in the capital, and includes actors of a dazzling West End quality. Stars include the popular Huntingdon comedian Terry

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Gauci as the King. Mark Peters from Star FM is making a special guest appearance, and Daniel Bell himself appearing as the Dame, without which a panto wouldn't be a panto ("Oh no it wouldn't!").

The local theme continues in the pantomime's setting: based in the "village of Elydale". Having auditioned 150 local primary school children, the cast is augmented with 38 kids from age 6 to 13, playing the cute "panto babes".

Other highlights will include a slippery, slidey, outrageously messy "gunge" scene, hilarious for adults and kids alike, Daisy the cow, a huge Giant, as well as plenty of family-orientated jokes (and a few thrown in that will entertain the grown-ups while gliding smoothly over the heads of the kids).

Again in keeping with the long-established traditions of British panto, Jack and the Beanstalk starts its run on Boxing Day, and continues through to January 14. KD Theatre Productions very much hope to make this an annual treat in Ely, so why not buy tickets, or enter our competition to win a family ticket of four, and make it your own new Christmas tradition? Book your tickets online at kdtheatre.co.uk, or contact the KD Theatre box office on *boxoffice@kdtheatre.co.uk* or (01638) 781037.

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Power student graduates

AN energy worker from Ely is celebrating after graduating with a degree from a London university after a placement in Cambridgeshire.

Colin Agius, 24, from High Barns in Ely, worked as part of the UK Power Networks' engineering development programme as part of a two-year placement when he finished college in 2010.

Thanks to the placement, during which he helps to run the electricity network in Cambridgeshire, Mr Agius has now graduated with a foundation degree in power distribution from London South Bank University.

He said: "It has been a brilliant experience – giving me the chance to study and get plenty of practical experience under my belt at the same time."

HE'S GOT THE POWER: Colin Agius on his graduation day

Two's company...

IN August 2013, the two restaurants could have been classed as rivals.

But when The Cutter Inn and The Boathouse came under the same management the following month, it soon became clear how the two could work together.

Steve and Jo Haslam, who have owned The Cutter Inn for seven years, bought The Boathouse and, two months on, say their venture is continuing to go well.

Steve Haslam said: "The Cutter Inn has always been fabulous. We have been there for seven years now and had the busiest summer we have ever had.

"The Boathouse is still trading as it was before we took over but we are looking forward to a big refurbishment in January."

NATALIE ROBINSON

The pair are hoping to make changes to The Boathouse in January so they can move the restaurant forward and make it appeal as a lunchtime venue.

Mr Haslam added: "We have kept it open for Christmas but we are going to be investing £150,000 in a whole new change of concept for The Boathouse next year.

"It will be the same chefs so we hope people will continue to enjoy it and support us."

Mr Haslam, who is managing director of TLC Inns which runs seven pubs and restaurants, has now issued the Christmas menu for the two restaurants – and has still managed to keep them different.

He added: "The two places are very different so we wanted to keep the menus different too.

"The Cutter is The Cutter – it's a smart pub with good service and good food.

"It has always been more geared towards fine dining so we have kept them different.

"We usually buy new restaurants and then close them down and refurbish them and reopen.

"This is the first time we have kept a venue open but we did not want to let down customers and bookings so close to Christmas.

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Greg's in town

SITCOM: Greg Davies with Roisin Conaty in *Man Down*

"THIS isn't a real job," declares Greg Davies, the acerbic Mr Gilbert of *The Inbetweeners*.

And Davies, all 6ft 8in of him, would know. Prior to his performing career, the actor and comic spent 13 years as a drama teacher. Now he's in the midst of his own sitcom, *Man Down*, and back on the road with his *The Back of My Mum's Head* tour.

"I'm amazed I ever hear a comedian moaning about life on the road. It's brilliant, why would it not be brilliant? You get driven to a town where people come and see you – that's not a job!" he grins. "I think comedians try to make out it's awful in case other people try and get into it."

He's visiting Cambridge Corn Exchange tonight but what all we really want to know is whether or not he's got a part in *The Inbetweeners* film sequel. "I'm relatively positive that Mr Gilbert will make an appearance," Davies offers, but apart from that he's keeping schtum. "I know loads about it but I'm not allowed to tell you," he teases. "Sorry, I'd be killed."

The first film had the highest-grossing British comedy opening of all time, so it's no surprise Davies is confident the follow-up will be just as good: "I'm sure it'll be wonderful; they're very clever writers."

The US TV version wasn't quite so well received. "The thrashing it got on the internet was endlessly fascinating to me. The vitriol was unbelievable. I'm sure they tried their hardest," says Davies. Maybe he's in a particularly empathetic mood given the release of *Man Down*. Based on his teaching days it centres on Dan, a man who, as Davies describes, is "lost at sea and ill-equipped to deal with life."

The show is delightfully ludicrous, but given Davies's former career, how autobiographical is it? "There are some true stories in it," he admits, but insists they've been exaggerated for comic effect. "Underneath it there is a truth to it all. The sadness of that character's life has been mine."

■ Greg Davies: The Back of My Mum's Head, Cambridge Corn Exchange, Thursday, November 14 at 8pm. Tickets £25 from (01223) 357 851 / *cornex.co.uk*

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Touring opera

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The programme got under way with Cavalli's *Jason* yesterday, vaguely based on the legend of Jason and the Golden Fleece, and continues toda (Thursday, November 14) with *The Coronation of Poppea*.

Corruption and morality writhe against each other in Monteverdi's final masterpiece; the young and bewitching Poppea attempts to make King Nero (who is understandably infatuated with her), leave his wife Ottavia and make her his new queen. But will all go to plan?

And *Agrippina* runs from Friday, November 15 to Saturday, November 16.

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JORDAN "Rizzle" Stephens and Harley "Sylvester" Alexander-Sule are Rizzle Kicks, a pumped-up hip hop duo from Brighton, but you probably already know that.

They bounced into Radio One playlists in 2011 with their debut album *Stero Typical*, and the annoyingly catchy *Mama Do The Hump* (no, you will never get it out of your head).

They tend to chuck themselves about merrily rapping, singing, dancing and wearing ace hi-tops. Basically, you know they'd be incredible on a night out.

The adrenaline-heavy duo, who have worked with the likes of Pharrell and have been touring with Ed Sheeran in the US, have announced their next UK headline tour and will visit Cambridge on Friday, February 21 at 7.30pm.

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Philomena (12a): Fri 1, 3.30, 5.50, 8.20; Sat-Sun 10.30am, 1, 3.30, 5.50, 8.20; Mon 1, 3.30, 5.50, 8.20; Tues 12.15, 2.40, 5.10; Wed 1, 3.30, 5.50, 8.20; Thu 12.30, 3
Enders Game (12a): Fri 1.30; Mon 1.30; Wed-Thu 1.30
Captain Phillips (12a): Fri 12noon, 3, 8.50; Sat-Sun 8.50; Mon 12.50, 3.50; Tues 12noon, 3, 8.50 (subtitles); Wed 12noon, 3, 8.50; Thu 12noon, 3, 8.50
Jackass Presents: Bad Grandpa (15): Fri- Sat 11.15; Wed- Thurs 11.15
Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs 2 2D (U): Fri 4.15; Sat-Sun 11.30am, 1.50, 4.15; Mon-Thu 4.15
Turbo 2D (U): Sat-Sun 11am, 1.20 (Subtitled Sun), 3.40
Escape Plan (15): Fri- Sat 11.15; Wed 11.50

CAMBRIDGE Cineworld
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Rush [Take 2] (15): Thu 12.45, 6.45
The Hunger Games (12A): Wed 9.30
The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (12A): Thu 10am, 10.40am, 1.10, 1.50, 4.20, 5, 5.45, 7.30, 8.15, 9.20, 12.30am
The Counsellor (18): Fri-Sat 12.30, 3.20, 6.10, 9, 10.40; Sun-Wed 12.30, 3.20, 6.10, 9; Thu 12.30, 9
Don Jon (18): 12.20, 2.40, 5, 7.15, 9.40, 11.30; Sat 5, 7.15, 9.40, 11.30; Sun 5, 7.15, 9.40; Mon-Wed 12.20, 2.40, 5, 7.15, 9.40; Thu 4, 9.40
The Butler (12A): Fri-Thu 11am, 2, 4.55, 8
Gravity [3D] (12A): Fri-Sat 11.20am, 12.10, 1.40, 2.30, 4, 6.20, 7.10, 8.40, 9.30; Sun-Wed 11.20am, 12.10 (subtitles Sun), 1.40, 2.30, 4, 6.20, 7.10, 8.40, 9.30; Thu 12.10, 2.30, 6.20, 7.10, 8.40, 9.30
Gravity (12A): Fri-Thu 4.50
Thor: The Dark World [3D] (12A): Fri 1.10, 6.30, 9.10; Sat-Sun 6.30, 9.10; Mon 1.10, 6.30, 9.10; Wed 1.10, 6.30; Thu 2.50, 8.30
Thor: The Dark World (12A): Fri-Sat 12noon, 2.50, 5.40, 8.30, 11.10; Sun 2.50 (subtitles), 5.40, 8.30; Mon-Wed 12noon, 2.50, 5.40, 8.30; Thu 12noon, 5.40
Philomena (12A): Fri-Wed12.40, 3.10, 5.30, 8.10; Thu 11.20am, 1.40, 3.20, 6.30
Jackass Presents: Bad Grandpa (15): Fri-Sat 11
Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs 2 [3D] (U): Sat-Sun 11.50am, 2.20
Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs 2 (U): Fri 4; Sat-Sun 11am, 1.30, 4; Mon-Thu 4
Captain Phillips (12A): Fri 1.40, 5.10, 8.20; Sat-Sun 5.10, 8.20; Mon 1.40 (subtitles), 5.10; Tues 11am, 1.40, 5.10, 8.20; Wed 1.40, 5.10, 8.20; Thu 10.40am
Turbo (U): Sat-Sun 10.10am, 12.30, 2.50
Bollywood
Goliyon Ki Raasleela Ram-Leela (15 TBC, subtitles): Sun 11.30am; Mon 8.20
movies for juniors
Ice Age 4: Continental Drift (U): Sat 10am, 10.05am (subtitles)
Monsters University (U): Sat 10.10am
The Smurfs 2 (U): Sat 10.20am
RSC Live - Richard II Encore (David Tennant) (12A Live): Tues 7

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Rush [Take 2] (15): Thu 12.45, 6.45
The Hunger Games (12A): Wed 9.30
The Hunger Games: Catching Fire [After-Midnight Screening] (12A) Wed 00.30am
The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (12A): Thu 10am, 10.40am, 1.10, 1.50, 4.20, 5, 6.15, 7.30, 8.15, 9.15
The Counsellor (18): Fri-Tues 12.30, 3.15, 6.10, 9; Wed 12.30,(3.15, 6.10, 9, 11.30; Thu 12.30, 9
Don Jon (18): Fri-Tues 12.10, 2.40, 5, 7.15, 9.30; Wed 12.10, 2.40, 5, 7.15, 9.30,11.45; Thu 4, 9.15
The Butler (12A): Fri 2, 5, 8; Sat-Sun 11am, 2, 5, 8; Mon-Tues 2, 5, 8; Wed 2, 5, 8, 11; Thu 11am, 2, 5, 8
Gravity [3D] (12A): Fri 12noon, 12.40, 1.40, 2.20, 3, 4.40, 5.20, 7, 7.40, 8.40, 9.20, 10.40; Sat 10.30am, 12noon, 12.40, 2.20, 3, 4.40, 5.20, 7, 7.40, 8.40, 9.20; Sun 10.30am, 12noon, 12.40, 2.20, 3, 4.40, 5.20, 7, 7.40, 8.40, 9.20; Mon-Tues 12noon, 12.40,1.40, 2.20, 3, 4.40, 5.20, 7, 7.40, 8.40, 9.20; Wed 12noon, 12.40, 1.40, 2.20, 3, 4.40, 5.20, 7, 7.40, 8.40, 9.20, 11.40, 00.00; Thu 11am, 12noon, 1.40, 2.20, 4, 4.40, 7, 8.40, 9.20
Gravity (12A): Fri-Thu 6.20
Thor: The Dark World [3D] (12A): Fri 12.15, 3, 5.50, 8.20; Sat-Sun 5.50, 8.20; Mon-Tues 12.15, 3, 5.50, 8.20; Wed 12.15, 3, 5.50
Thor: The Dark World (12A): Fri 1.30, 4.15, 6.50, 9.15; Sat-Sun 10.50am, 1.30, 4.15, 6.50, 9.15; Mon 1.30, 4.15, 6.50, 9.15; Tues 1.30, 4.15; Wed 1.30, 4.15, 6.50, 9.15, 11.40; Thu 12.10, 2.50, 5.35, 8.30
Philomena (12A): Fri-Tues 12.40, 3.10, 5.40 (subtitles Mon), 8.05; Wed 12.40, 3.10, 5.40, 8.05, 10.10; Thu 11.40am, 1.50, 3.10, 6.10
Jackass Presents: Bad Grandpa (15): Fri-Tues 9.40; Wed 9.40, 11; Thu 9.40
Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs 2 [3D] (U: Sat-Sun 10.05am, 12.20, 3
Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs 2 (U): Fri 4; Sat-Sun 11.05am, 1.30, 4; Mon-Thu 4
Ender's Game (12A): Sat-Sun 10am
Captain Phillips (12A): Fri 2.10, 5.10, 8.10; Sat-Sun 5.10, 8.10; Mon-Wed 2.10, 5.10 (subtitles Wed), 8.10; Thu 12.15, 3.10
Turbo (U): Sat-Sun 10.10am, 12.30, 2.50
movies for juniors
Ice Age 4: Continental Drift (U): Sat-Sun 10am
Monsters University (U): Sat-Sun 10am
The Smurfs 2 (U): Sat-Sun 10am
RSC Live - Richard Ii Encore (David Tennant) (12A Live): Tues 7
NT 50TH Anniversary Encore : Frankenstein (15): Thu 7

film of the week

THE COUNSELLOR

certificate 18, 1h57m

AUDIENCES may find themselves in need of counselling sessions after two hours of twisted desire and treachery in Ridley Scott's erotically charged crime thriller.

In the film's most memorable scene - and not necessarily for the right reasons - Cameron Diaz removes her underwear, mounts the bonnet of her boyfriend's convertible and energetically performs a gymnastic feat across the windscreen that would surely be better served by a sponge or chamois leather.

Her all-guns-blazing portrayal is accompanied by terrific performances from Michael Fassbender and Penelope Cruz but all three are let down though by an overly complicated and wordy script which isn't remotely interested in the protagonists' emotional turmoil, just their suffering.

Fassbender plays the nameless counsellor, whose girlfriend Laura (Cruz) tearfully accepts his marriage proposal. "I intend to love you until I die," he gushes.

But that may be sooner than Laura thinks because he has invested his fortune in a drug trafficking operation across the Texas-Mexico border. Inevitably, the deal goes bad and the counsellor is marked for death along with two associates from the criminal underworld - floral-shirted playboy Reiner (Javier Bardem) and swaggering cowboy Westray (Brad Pitt).

While Westray jets off to London, Reiner is distracted by his gold-toothed girlfriend Malkina (Diaz), who owns two pet cheetahs.

The Counsellor looks glorious courtesy of Scott's impeccable visuals, but all of that style means nothing when we can't forge an emotional bond to the characters as they wallow through the mire.

Fassbender wrings himself dry of tears while Cruz is luminous as she provides sweetness and light to counterbalance Diaz's slinky predator. But dialogue is sodden with dense philosophical musings on the fragility of life that don't sound like anything normal people would say to one another.

And when one doomed player takes an inordinate amount of time explaining the intricacies of a motorised device that tightens around the neck of a victim, we know it's only a matter of time before Scott realises this grisly vision in blood-drenched close-up.

To that end, he doesn't disappoint.

Tiptoe through the tulips

YOU have probably planted most of your spring bulbs by now, but it's not too late to add tulips to the mix, ready to create a riot of colour next season.

With this in mind, Consumers' Association magazine *Which? Gardening* has been scouring the country to ask head gardeners exactly how they achieve their show-stopping tulip displays.

by Hannah Stephenson

In RHS Garden Harlow Carr in Harrogate, North Yorkshire, they use a sizzling combination of Tulipa 'Ballerina' (orange), 'Queen of Night' (dark purple) and 'Jan Reus' (dark red).

Garden manager Alison Goding explains: "The Triumph tulip 'Jan Reus' starts flowering in April and is 50cm high, while 'Queen of Night' and 'Ballerina' flower in May and are 60cm high, so the overall display has more depth and lasts a bit longer."

The tulips are in a raised bed filled with topsoil, mixed with garden compost and grit to improve drainage and bulbs are planted at a depth of three to four times the size of the bulb, 15cm apart.

A cooler theme is adopted at the Dorothy Clive Garden in Market Drayton, Shropshire (*www.dorothyclivegarden.co.uk*), combining white tulips 'Purissima' with masses of soft blue forget-me-nots and Allium 'Purple Sensation', which appear in late spring.

Margaret Barry, deputy curator of the garden, says: "This 'cool' theme is pleasing on the eye due to the limited tones of colour.

"The varying textures also make this display appealing: a fluffy carpet of forget-me-nots punctuated by strong, linear stems supporting symmetrical blooms."

The gardeners change the bed every year and in spring 2014 will be offering a vibrant display of 'Purple Flag', 'Christmas Orange' and 'Christmas Marvel' (cerise pink), with an underplanting of deep-blue 'Sylva' forget-me-nots, which don't tend to self-seed as much as other varieties.

If you want ideas for stunning pots of tulips, look no further than Rousham in Oxfordshire (*www.rousham.org*), where you can see amazing displays of majestic purple tulips, interspersed with pots of white ones. Varieties include 'Jackpot' (purple with white edge), 'Snowstar' (white), 'Ronaldo' (stocky purple-red), 'Havran' (tall dark purple) and 'Ballade' (pink with white edge).

Head gardener Ann Starling says: "I started with purple varieties then added others. I first staged the tulips in pots like this about eight years ago. I repeat it each year because it works, and purple is a different colour for spring.

"We empty the pots of their summer plantings then fill them with 15-25 bulbs each. The pots are sometimes put into coldframes in cold weather. If you do shelter planted-up pots in this way be careful, as you have to water them."

Square containers work as well as round pots for tulip displays, as visitors to Easton Ruston Old Vicarage in Norfolk (*www.e-ruston-oldvicaragegardens.co.uk*) will find. Plant the bulbs in rows, as close as possible without the bulbs touching.

Mixed Rembrandt tulips – so called because they have similar markings to the tulips painted by the Dutch Old Masters – are planted in layers with tulip 'Zurel' and 'Flaming Spring Green' to make a refreshing combination.

There are many options, but grey-coloured containers are a good choice for pale tulip combinations. Generally, the larger the better but if fibreglass faux lead is beyond your budget, consider the less expensive fibreclay instead.

- The full report on tulips is available in the November issue of *Which? Gardening* magazine.

puzzles

crossword

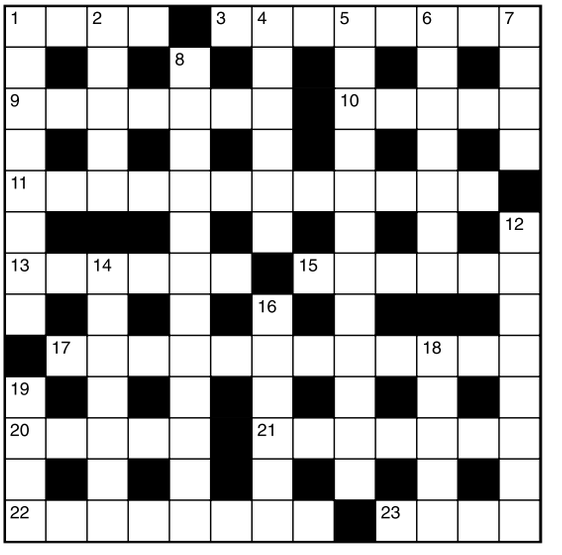
ACROSS

1. The sort of party that needs nearly all the platform (4)
3. Infantry made up of a thousand bowmen (8)
9. Diminish the reputation of French region (7)
10. They employ devious ruses (5)
11. Rate increase (12)
13. Produced an outline plan for the geography book (6)
15. United Nations source of oil in poor condition (6)
17. Causing anguish - could it be earth-shattering? (5-7)
20. A cone will indicate some disturbance in this (5)
21. Various carpets fashioned before being put in position (7)
22. Using an iron is urgent (8)
23. Guy to keep going a long time (4)

DOWN

1. Weapons for the team members (4-4)
2. Room at the top (5)
4. Like an aquatic bird back at sea (6)
5. Provides approval for what people are faced with (12)
6. Unpleasant sight caused by a stye? (7)
7. It's not very good to get a distress call and nothing more (2-2)
8. Those in races make movement easier (4,8)
12. A little bit crafty about a clue (8)
14. What the following people won't do (7)
16. Carry out a capital operation when parent is in distress (6)
18. Not fit to sleep in it (5)
19. Steel band required for a dance round the ring (4)

Last week's answers: Across: 6 Staunch; 7 Girth; 9 Crane; 10 Armoury; 12 Take chances; 14 Appropriate; 18 Precise; 19 Priam; 21 Anvil; 22 Malaise. Down: 1 Stern; 2 Guinea; 3 Act; 4 Disown; 5 Stories; 8 Archaic; 11 Tempest; 13 Sparing; 15 Recoil; 16 Tartan; 17 Lapse; 20 Way.



sudoku

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		2		3		9		
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5	7		9				6	1
			8		6			

Last week's answer:

2	1	5	4	8	6	9	7	3
4	8	6	7	3	9	5	2	1
7	9	3	5	2	1	4	8	6
9	6	8	3	5	7	2	1	4
1	2	4	9	6	8	3	5	7
5	3	7	1	4	2	6	9	8
6	5	1	8	9	4	7	3	2
8	4	9	2	7	3	1	6	5
3	7	2	6	1	5	8	4	9

niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

The clues

547	gives a beverage
82346	gives an alcoholic drink
1789	gives an ancient wine

Last week's answer:
CABRIOLET

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the GUIDE

weekend television

SATURDAY

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 Food & Drink. 12.00pm Football Focus. 12.45 Saturday Sportsday. 1.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **1.15 Bargain Hunt. 2.00 Live International Rugby Union.** Wales v Argentina (Kick-off 2.30pm). **4.30 A Question of Sport. 5.00 BBC News;** Regional News; Weather. **5.20 Children in Need: The Best Bits.** Highlights of last night's fundraising show.

6.30 **Strictly Come Dancing.**
8.00 **Atlantis.** The trio face danger as they escort a valuable cargo across the desert.
8.50 **The National Lottery Live.** Chris Evans reveals the results.
9.00 **Casualty.** Lily suspects steroids are to blame for a violent dispute between rugby players, while a policeman is brought in with a fractured leg after a confrontation at a colleague's funeral.
9.50 **BBC News;** Weather.
10.10 **FILM: Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End (2007)** Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Johnny Depp; National Lottery Update.

12.45am FILM: Highlander: Endgame (2000). Fantasy sequel, with Christopher Lambert and Adrian Paul. **2.20 Weatherview. 2.25 BBC News.**

BBC2

6.00am This Is BBC2. 7.35 FILM: Emergency Call (1952). Thriller, with Jack Warner. **9.05 FILM: The Journey of Natty Gann (1985).** Disney adventure, starring John Cusack and Meredith Salenger. **10.40 Reel History of Britain. 11.10 The Life of Birds. 12.00pm Paul Hollywood's Pies & Puds. 1.30 The A to Z of TV Cooking. 2.15 EastEnders. 3.40 Escape to the Country. 4.25 Flog It! 4.55 Live International Rugby Union.** Ireland v Australia (Kick-off 5.45pm).

7.30 **Live Rugby League World Cup.** England v France (Kick-off 8.00pm). Mark Chapman introduces coverage of this evening's third quarter-final at the DW Stadium in Wigan. Subsequent programmes subject to change.
10.00 **QI.** With Ronni Ancona, Dave Gorman and Lee Mack.
10.30 **Formula 1: United States Grand Prix – Qualifying Highlights.** The battle for pole position at the United States Grand Prix.
11.45 **FILM: Stark Raving Mad (2002).** A man saddled with his late brother's debts comes up with a scheme to rob a bank – but nothing goes according to plan. Crime comedy, starring Seann William Scott.

1.20am FILM: Radio On (1979). 3.00 This Is BBC2.

ITV

6.00am CITV. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 The Home of Fabulous Cakes. 10.30 Murder, She Wrote. 11.25 ITV News and Weather; Weather. **11.35 Surprise Surprise. 12.40pm You've Been Framed! 1.10 Doc Martin. 2.10 The X Factor Results. 3.45 FILM: Star Wars: Episode V – The Empire Strikes Back (1980).**

6.05 **ITV News Anglia;** Weather.
6.15 **ITV News and Weather.**
6.30 **New You've Been Framed!**
7.00 **The Chase: Celebrity Special.** With Andrea McLean, Robbie Savage, Jessica Taylor and Rory McGrath.
8.00 **The X Factor.** Dermot O'Leary hosts the Great British Songbook Week, as the remaining acts face increasing pressure to pull out all the stops and impress with note-perfect performances. The results are tomorrow at 8pm.
9.30 **The Jonathan Ross Show.** With One Direction, Eminem, Forest Whitaker and Sarah Millican.
10.30 **ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
10.45 **Take Me Out.** A guitar teacher, a 999 call operator, a choir leader and a butcher take part.

12.00am Jackpot247. 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 3.45 ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.00am The Treacle People. 6.10 The Hoobs. 7.00 Volleyball. 8.00 The Morning Line. 9.00 The American Football Show. 10.05 Frasier. 10.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. 11.00 The Big Bang Theory. 11.55 The Simpsons. 12.25pm Heston's 70s Feast. 1.30 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Cheltenham and Wetherby. **4.00 Come Dine with Me.**

6.30 **Channel 4 News.**
7.00 **The Political Slot.** MP James Wharton explains his European Union Referendum Bill.
7.05 **Marvel's Agents of SHIELD.** Coulson works the system to save Ward and Fitz.
8.00 **Grand Designs.** Revisiting an eco-friendly family home in Suffolk.
9.00 **FILM: Black Swan (2010).** Premiere. A repressed, sheltered ballet dancer is encouraged by a director to explore her darker impulses at the risk of her sanity. Drama, starring Natalie Portman and Mila Kunis.
11.10 **FILM: The Deep Blue Sea (2011).** Premiere. Terence Davies' 1950s-set drama, starring Rachel Weisz, Tom Hiddleston and Simon Russell Beale.

1.05am Stand Up for the Week. 1.50 Paddy's TV Guide. 2.35 Hollyoaks. 4.40 90210. 5.20 Deal or No Deal.

CHANNEL 5

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers: Megaforce. 10.35 Slugterra. 11.00 Inside Hollywood. 11.05 Ben Fogle's Animal Clinic. 12.05pm Stobart: Trucks, Trains & Planes. 1.05 FILM: The Christmas Card (2006). Drama, with John Newton. **2.50 FILM: The Town Christmas Forgot (2010).** Drama, starring Lauren Holly. **4.30 FILM: A Grandpa for Christmas (2007).** Family comedy, starring Ernest Borgnine.

6.10 **5 News Weekend.**
6.15 **D-Day: The Ultimate Conflict.**
8.00 **JFK's Secret Killer: The Evidence.** Documentary investigating the events during and directly after the shooting of US president John F Kennedy, revealing a new theory as to the identity of the assassin.
9.00 **Battle Scarred: Nightmare on Civvy Street.** Former soldiers who see everything and everyone as a potential threat.
10.00 **International Boxing.** James DeGale v Dyah Davis.

12.00am SuperCasino. 3.10 Charley Boorman's Extreme Frontiers. 4.00 Wildlife SOS. 4.25 Make It Big. 4.50 Roary the Racing Car. 5.00 Angels of Jarm. 5.10 Hana's Helpline. 5.20 Angels of Jarm. 5.30 The Funky Valley Show. 5.40 Roary the Racing Car. 5.50 Hana's Helpline.

Strictly Come Dancing, Saturday, BBC1, 6.30pm

The Jonathan Ross Show, Saturday, ITV, 9.30pm

Africa 2013: Countdown to the Rains, Sunday, BBC2, 9pm

Homeland, Sunday, Channel 4, 9pm

SUNDAY

BBC1

6.00am Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 Sunday Morning Live 2013. 11.00 Sunday Politics. 12.15pm Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. **1.15 Escape to the Country. 2.15 Points of View. 2.30 Live International Rugby Union.** Scotland v South Africa (Kick-off 3.00pm). **5.05 Lifeline. 5.15 Songs of Praise. 5.50 BBC News;** Regional News; Weather.

6.15 **Countryfile.**
7.15 **Strictly Come Dancing: The Results.** Another couple leave, and JLS and Andre Rieu perform.
8.00 **The Paradise.** Tom is furious that Moray's new pocket-watch counter is attracting attention away from his food hall, so he asks Denise to come up with ideas for improving other departments.
9.00 **Britain and the Sea.** New series. David Dimbleby explores aspects of the nation's maritime history, beginning with a look at exploration in Devon and Cornwall.
10.00 **BBC News;** Regional News; Weather.
10.25 **Formula 1: United States Grand Prix – Highlights.** Action from the penultimate race of the season.

12.25am Weatherview. 12.30 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00am This Is BBC2. 6.55 FILM: The Velvet Touch (1948). Thriller, starring Rosalind Russell. **8.30 Alan Titchmarsh's Garden Secrets. 9.30 Gardeners' World. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 11.30 Paul Hollywood's Pies & Puds. 1.00pm Food & Drink. 1.30 Rugby Union. 2.30 Live Rugby League World Cup.** The fourth quarter-final (Kick-off 3.00pm). **5.00 Flog It!**

6.00 **JFK: The Final Visit to Britain.**
6.30 **Days That Shook the World.**
7.00 **Coast.**
7.05 **Kennedy Home Movies.**
8.00 **Great Continental Railway Journeys.** Michael Portillo travels through Scandinavia.
9.00 **Africa 2013: Countdown to the Rains.** The rains finally arrive and the grazing animals spread out across the valley. Last in the series.
10.00 **Respect: A Felix Dexter Special.** A tribute to the comedian, who died last month.
10.30 **Hebburn.**
11.00 **Never Mind the Buzzcocks.**
11.30 **Rugby League World Cup.**

12.15am FILM: More Than Just a Game (2007). Drama, starring Presley Chweneyagae. **1.45 Sign Zone: Countryfile. 2.40 Sign Zone: Holby City. 3.40 This Is BBC2.**

ITV

6.00am CITV. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 Storage Hoarders. 10.30 Sunday Side Up. 11.30 Sunday Scoop. 12.30pm ITV News and Weather; Weather. **12.35 Inside the National Trust. 1.35 Love Your Garden. 2.35 The X Factor. 4.05 Downton Abbey. 5.35 Prize Island.** Game show, hosted by Alexander Armstrong and Emma Willis.

6.35 **ITV News Anglia;** Weather.
6.45 **ITV News and Weather.**
7.00 **Coronation Street.** Hour-long episode. Peter steps in when David hassles Tina in the Rovers.
8.00 **The X Factor Results.** With live music by Gary Barlow and Miley Cyrus.
9.00 **I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** New series. Ant and Dec present as a fresh batch of famous faces wave goodbye to their lives of luxury and set up camp among the creepy-crawlies of the Australian jungle.
10.30 **ITV News and Weather;** Weather.
10.45 **Off Their Rockers.** Senior citizens play pranks on the public.
11.15 **Anglo-Welsh Cup Rugby Union.** Highlights of the second round of pool matches.

12.15am The Store. 2.15 Motorsport UK. 3.05 ITV Nightscreen. 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show.

CHANNEL 4

6.10am The American Football Show. 7.05 FIA GT Blancpain Endurance Season Review. 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. 9.00 Frasier. 9.30 Sunday Brunch. 12.30pm The Big Bang Theory. 12.55 The Simpsons. 1.25 Channel 4 Racing. Coverage of day three of The Open at Cheltenham. **3.30 FILM: Congo (1995).** Jungle adventure, starring Dylan Walsh. **5.35 FILM: Night at the Museum (2006).** Fantasy comedy, starring Ben Stiller.

7.40 **Channel 4 News.**
8.00 **Queen Victoria and the Crippled Kaiser – Secret History.** The secret childhood of the Queen's eldest grandson, the future Kaiser Wilhelm II.
9.00 **Homeland.** Saul takes a career gamble while his old adversary is in custody, and Carrie and Quinn struggle to contain a local police investigation.
10.00 **Was It Something I Said?** With Rhod Gilbert and Josie Long.
10.30 **Toast of London.**
10.55 **Alan Carr: Chatty Man.** With Russell Brand and Adam Hills, plus music by the Wanted.
11.55 **Fresh Meat.** Kingsley dates both Heather and Josie.

12.45am American Football Live. Denver Broncos v Kansas City Chiefs (Kick-off 1.30am). **4.45 KOTV Boxing Weekly. 5.15 Deal or No Deal.**

CHANNEL 5

6.00am Milkshake! 10.00 Power Rangers: Super Samurai. 10.35 Slugterra. 11.00 The Hotel Inspector. 12.00pm Cowboy Builders. 1.00 Police Interceptors. 2.00 FILM: Little Nicky (2000). Comedy fantasy, starring Adam Sandler. **3.35 FILM: Click (2006).** Comedy, starring Adam Sandler. **5.35 FILM: Lucky Christmas (2011).** Premiere. Romantic drama, with Elizabeth Berkley and Jason Gray-Stanford.

7.15 **5 News Weekend.**
7.20 **FILM: Rush Hour 2 (2001).** Action comedy sequel, with Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker. Edited to reduce violence and language.
9.00 **FILM: The Book of Eli (2010).** A drifter in post-apocalyptic America battles a despot for control of a book believed to hold the key to mankind's future. Action adventure, with Denzel Washington and Gary Oldman.
11.15 **FILM: Once Upon a Time in Mexico (2003).** Action thriller, starring Antonio Banderas and Johnny Depp.

1.15am SuperCasino. 3.10 The Gadget Show. 4.00 Wildlife SOS. 4.25 Make It Big. 4.50 Roary the Racing Car. 5.00 Angels of Jarm. 5.10 Hana's Helpline. 5.20 Angels of Jarm. 5.30 The Funky Valley Show. 5.40 Roary the Racing Car. 5.50 Hana's Helpline.

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Waterside, Ely: £500,000

A PERIOD town house with four to five bedrooms, just a short walk from the River Ouse in Ely is on the market for £500,000. Having been restored and improved by the current owners, the accommodation includes a sitting room, a study, a dining room with French doors opening to the courtyard garden, a fitted kitchen, utility room and cloakroom/WC. On the first floor the master bedroom comes with an en suite shower, and French doors onto a balcony, and there is a second bedroom, a dressing room that could also serve as a bedroom, and a family bathroom. On the second floor are a further two bedrooms, one of which also has an en suite bathroom. Call David Clark & Company on (01353) 665020.

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Perfect Location £150,000 - £160,000
Haddenham EPC E
Nestled within a cul-de-sac of similar bungalows, this two bedroom semi detached bungalow is set within the sought after Village of Haddenham. With amenities close at hand. Ref: 8678

Two Good Size Bedrooms
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Ample Off Road Parking
Double Glazed Windows & Doors
Village Location
Close To Amenities
What is there not to like?

Guide Price £200,000 - £210,000
Light And Bright
Haddenham EPC E
The current owner chose this house for its bright and airy feel, with front and rear patio doors. Ref: 8277
Let's get you round!

Guide Price £600,000 - £625,000
Careful. It's Loaded With Charm
Haddenham EPC F
This Grade II Listed four bedroom Cottage oozes charm and character both inside and out. Ref: 8573
Take a chance, view today!

Guide Price £120,000 - £130,000
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Closely situated to Elys amenties and two good size bedrooms make this a brilliantly price in Ely. Ref: 8605
Move into Ely!

Guide Price
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Mepal
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An individual four bedroom detached family home built by our sellers approx two years ago, Deceptively spacious and set on a good size plot with ample off road parking. Ref: 8510

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For The Family
Sutton EPC D
Well positioned within a small development offering four bedrooms and great living space. Ref: 8597
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Three bedroom detached bungalow, built in the 1980's, is crying out for new owners! Ref: 8555
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Ready And Waiting
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Our sellers loved both the external and internal space when they brought this house. Ref: 8633
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No School Run Here
Soham EPC D
Beautifully presented and with lots of natural light this four bedroom detached house in impressive! Ref: 8544
Come fall in love with this!

An Ideal Investment £249,995
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Well positioned within Littleport and with tenants in situ until April 2014, an ideal investment buy. Ref: 8432
Invest in this!

Tucked Away £160,000
Sutton EPC C
Modern two bedroom double fronted home in the Village of Sutton. Ref: 8018
You've got to see this!

Guide Price
£135,000 - £145,000
Warmth & Charm
Littleport
EPC E

Our seller has significantly improved this three bedroom semi detached cottage which is full of charm and character. Deceptively spacious throughout, with a good size garden. Ref: 8359

Significantly improved!

Guide Price
£88,995
Investor Alert
Soham
EPC D

Cracking Buy to Let or First Time Buy this one bedroom ground floor apartment is situated in the heart of Soham close to local amenities with two off street parking spaces. Ref: 8586

No onward chain!

Guide Price £145,000 - £155,000
Fantastic Find
Littleport EPC D
Look no further for that family size kitchen and good size rear garden. Ref: 8580
Come take a look!

Guide Price £190,000 - £200,000
A Happy Home
Little Downham EPC D
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- Family Bathroom
- Generous Garden
- Outbuilding & Double Garage

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- Detached Farm Cottage
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- Far Reaching Views
- Open Plan Kitchen/Diner

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Little Downham **Offers Over £200,000**

- Sought After Location
- Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Sitting Room & Kitchen
- South Facing Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Garage
- Viewing Recommended

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Little Downham Offers Over £375,000

- Detached Home
- Desirable Village of Little Downham
- Extensive Garden
- Four Bedrooms

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Hundred Foot Bank **£325,000**

- Modern Detached Home
- Rural Settings & Extensive Grounds
- Four Bedrooms
- Sitting Room & Conservatory

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- Sitting Room & Kitchen/Diner
- Sunroom
- Front & Side Gardens

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- Family Property
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Garage & Garden

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Littleport **£170,000**

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- Three Bedrooms
- Well Presented
- Off Road Parking & Enclosed Garden

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Chatteris **Offers Over £160,000**

- Modern Family Home
- Set Over Three Floors
- Four Bedrooms
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom

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March **£160,000**

- Modern Detached Bungalow
- Sitting Room & Conservatory
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Enclosed Rear Garden & Driveway

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Sutton **Offers Over £140,000**

- Semi Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Front & Rear Gardens

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Soham **Offers Over £130,000**

- Victorian Home
- Two Bedrooms
- Shower Room & En-Suite Bathroom
- Enclosed Rear Garden

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Soham **£88,995**

- Ground Floor Apartment
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- Substantial Edwardian home
- Centrally located
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- 3 reception rooms
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- Utility and cloakroom
- Garage and workshop
- EPC E

ELY £189,950

- Modern terraced house
- Good size lounge
- Fitted kitchen dining room
- 3 bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Garage and garden
- No onward chain
- EPC Rating D

ISLEHAM O.I.R.O £695,000

- Detached Period Farmhouse
- Restored and extended
- Delightful grounds of just under an acre
- 4 double bedrooms 2 with en-suite
- Inglenook and Victorian fireplaces
- Superb kitchen with granite work surfaces
- 4 reception rooms

ELY £500,000

- Period townhouse in desirable location
- Restored and improved to very high standard
- 3 reception rooms
- Stylish fitted kitchen and utility
- 4 bedrooms, 2 en-suites
- Balcony to master bedroom

WILBURTON £435,000

- Impressive detached house
- Built to a high specification
- Large kitchen breakfast room
- Lounge and family room
- Conservatory and study
- 4 double bedrooms
- 2 En-suites
- EPC Rating D

HADDENHAM £175,000

- Updating opportunity
- Sought after village location
- 2 Bedrooms
- No Bathroom
- 2 reception rooms
- Backing onto farmland
- Outbuildings
- Tremendous potential

LITTLEPORT £249,950

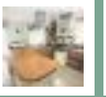
- Spacious detached bungalow
- Situated on a good size plot with potential
- Cul de sac location
- 3 bedrooms
- Sitting room with fireplace
- Fitted kitchen
- Garage and mature gardens
- EPC Rating D

LT DOWNHAM £229,950

- Established detached house
- Improved and extended
- Well fitted kitchen
- Thro' lounge dining room
- 3/4 bedrooms
- en-suite to master bedroom
- Well stocked size rear garden
- EPC Rating D

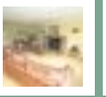
ELY £425,000

- Modern end terraced townhouse
- Small select development
- Centrally located
- Quality fitted kitchen
- dining room
- 2 ground floor bedrooms
- Utility and shower room
- 2 2nd floor bedrooms
- EPC Rating C



WILBURTON £445,000

- Converted Victorian station single storey residence
- Semi rural location with 2 acres of grazing land available separately
- Fitted kitchen b'fast room
- Spacious lounge with multi fuel burner
- 4 bedrooms
- Patio and landscaped gardens
- EPC Rating C



HADDENHAM £320,000

- Charming detached cottage
- Non estate location
- 4 bedrooms
- Lounge with feature fireplace
- Fitted kitchen breakfast room
- Large dining room
- Conservatory
- Established garden and parking
- EPC Rating F

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Witcham £419,950

A highly individual 5 bedroom detached family home situated in this well regarded village and offering versatile accommodation with a wealth of character & individual features, double garage, parking & mature gardens. EPR D.

Soham £200,000

Forming part of a former school, this character property offers an interesting & unique home. Hall, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, gf shower room, 3 bedrooms, ff bathroom, allocated parking, communal garden area.

Ten Mile Bank £155,000

Detached cottage in a semi rural location, a short distance from the River Great Ouse. Hall, kitchen, lounge, conservatory, gf bedroom/dining room, bathroom, 2 ff bedrooms, garage, parking, mature gardens. EPR F.

Hockwold £545,000

A superb barn conversion offering spacious living accommodation on a grand scale (approximately 4,000 sq ft) including 5 bedrooms (3 ensuite). Extremely flexibile accommodation, driveway & gardens. EPR E.

Little Thetford £585,000

A delightful detached 3 bedroom (1 ensuite) thatched cottage offering a wealth of charm and character with versatile accommodation, double garage, parking & mature gardens. Substantially improved.

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Situated on a highly regarded modern development, this family home omprises hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, 5 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, garage, car port, gardens. EPR C.

Little Downham £335,000

A highly individual family home close to the village centre. Hall, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, garden/dining room, cloakroom, snug/bedroom 4, 3 ff bedrooms (1 ensuite, bathroom, garage, enclosed gardens. EPR C.

Prickwillow £159,950

An established semi detached house circa 1904 in a non estate location offering versatile accommodation including 2 reception rooms, 3 bedrooms, range of outbuildings providing useful storage, garage, parking. EPC D

Chatteris £235,000

A charming 2/3 bedroom detached Grade II Listed thatched cottage close to the Town Centre, offering a wealth of character features with a most attractive enclosed rear garden, large timber storage shed, parking. EPR E.

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Soham £272,000

A well presented detached family home with hall, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, lounge, separate dining room, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, single garage, driveway and gardens. EPR D.

Soham £157,950

A well presented extended house with hall, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, family room, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. The property has the further benefit of off road parking and an enclosed rear garden. EPR D.

Wilburton £153,500

A spacious first floor apartment with accommodation comprising entrance hallway, kitchen, lounge/dining room, 2 bedrooms (master with ensuite), bathroom, allocated parking and communal gardens. No upward chain. EPR C.

Soham £199,950

A detached cottage with much character and charm. Accommodation includes entrance porch, lounge, dining room, kitchen, ground floor bathroom, 3 first floor bedrooms, garage, parking and gardens. EPR E

Ely £107,000

A well presented end of terraced home offered for sale on a 76% shared equity basis. Entrance lobby, lounge, spacious kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, gardens & 2 parking spaces. EPR D.

Little Downham £740,000

An impressive, exceptionally well presented detached home much improved by the current owners to offer spacious accommodation set over 3 floors with a separate 1 bedroom annex. Approx 1.5 acres (sts). EPR C

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An imposing detached residence on a quiet private road close to the city centre with 6 bedrooms, extensive driveway, double garage, mature secluded gardens with swimming pool. EPR D.

Mepal £579,950

A highly individual 6 bedroom (4 ensuite) detached family home set in 2.75 acres (STS) including a small fishing lake, woodland and formal gardens, double garage and workshop/store. EPR D.

Southery £129,950

An established semi detached house in a rural location with fenland views. Lounge, dining room, kitchen, garden room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom. Plot of approx 1/3 of an acre (STS). Enormous potential. EPR E.

Littleport £147,950

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Wilburton £199,950

A highly individual extended end of terrace cottage offering spacious well presented accommodation which ncludes entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms and bathroom, together with garden and parking. EPR E.

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Three bedroom house with gas heating, enclosed rear garden and allocated parking. EPC D

LITTLEPORT £895 pcm

Spacious detached house with impressive views set in approximately 1 acre.

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Three bedroom house in a riverside location with garden and garage.

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An exceptionally well presented and recently extended detached family home positioned on a good size corner plot just a short walk from the City centre. Hall, Lounge/Sitting Room, Snug/Study, Open Plan Kitchen/Dining Room/Family Room, Utility Room, Boot Room, Cloakroom, Master Bedroom with En-Suite and Roof Terrace, 4 Double Bedrooms with 1 En-Suite, Family Bathroom, GCH, DG, Garage, Off Road Parking, Rear Garden. EPC - 65(D)

HADDENHAM — O/A £250,000

A delightful three bedroom character property situated on three floors which forms part of an imposing Victorian building formerly the village school, in the centre of the village close to a good range of local facilities. Fitted Kitchen/Dining Room, Sitting Room with Wood Burner, Sun Room, Cloakroom, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Enclosed Rear Garden, Brick Store Room, Double Garage, Three Parking Spaces. EPC - 57(D)

QUEEN ADELAIDE — O/A £339,500

A recently built, five bedroom, detached family home situated just half a mile from Ely City. EPC - 83(B)

COVENEY — O/A £122,950

An ideal opportunity to purchase a 2 bedroom bungalow situated within the pleasant village of Coveney. EPC - 53(E)

HADDENHAM — O/A £145,000

A beautifully presented, 2 bedroom cottage set within mature gardens situated just a short walk from the centre of this popular village. No Upward Chain. EPC - 45(E)

BLACK HORSE DROVE — £375,000

A rare opportunity to purchase a brand new detached house requiring completion which lies in a wonderful rural position on a large plot with its own woodland.

ELY — O/A £325,000

A beautifully presented, 5 bedroom, link detached home set on a good sized corner plot benefitting from being in the catchment area for the Lantern School. EPC - 74(C)

WARDY HILL — O/A £200,000

An opportunity to purchase a brand new individually designed double fronted detached period style property. No Upward Chain.

SOHAM — O/A £133,000

A Victorian, 3 bedroom mid terraced property with parking space in need of updating close to the College in this popular well served village. No Upward Chain.

SOHAM — O/A £85,000

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An extended and refurbished detached house situated in a quiet lane. The property is approx 6 miles from Ely with its rail links to Cambridge & London. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, L-Shaped Sitting Room, 32ft Fitted Kitchen/Diner, Utility Room, Master Bedroom with Wardrobes & En-Suite, 5 Further Bedrooms, 2 Further Bathroom/Shower Rooms, Large Back Garden, Garage & Extensive Parking, Gas Central Heating. EPC 70- C
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ELY £895 pcm*

A well presented terraced townhouse. The property is well presented throughout. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Open Plan Living Room/Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Master Bedroom, En-Suite Shower Room & Dressing Area, 2 Bedrooms, Bathroom, GCH, DG, Enclosed Rear Garden. EPC - 79(C)

Available Mid Jan - Unfurnished

WICKEN £1,000 pcm*

A well presented detached, four bedroom property in a popular village location well placed for access to Ely, Cambridge and Newmarket. Hall, Dining Room, Large Lounge, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility Room, Master Bedroom with En-Suite, Three Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Detached Garage and Off Road Parking. EPC - 52(E).
Available Immediately - Unfurnished

ELY £850 pcm*

A three bedroom detached house situated in a cul-de-sac location. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Sitting Room Opening into Dining Room, Kitchen, Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower, Two Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Front & Rear Gardens, Garage & Driveway Parking. EPC 67-D
Available Mid December - Unfurnished

SOHAM £650 pcm*

A brand new first floor flat with balconies on this popular development overlooking the Lodge. Security Entry, Open Plan Living Room with Stylish Kitchen, 2 Bedrooms, Gas Central Heating, Reserved Residents Parking Space. EPC - 79(C) Min. 1 year term.
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£269,950

QUEEN ADELAIDE

An established three bedroom semi detached home conveniently situated for access to Ely.

3 bedrooms, family bathroom, entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, conservatory, double glazing, oil fired central heating and ample parking. EPC rating: E

£189,950

WITCHAM

An immaculately presented older style three bedroom semi detached property in a pleasant rural setting.

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3 bedrooms, family bathroom, entrance hall, lounge, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, mature gardens and oil central heating. EPC rating: E

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LITTLEPORT

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£675 PCM*

NEW

ELY

A very well presented two bedroom Q Type house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac within walking distance of the City centre.

This recently refurbished property comprises of kitchen, lounge, a double and a single bedroom both with built-in wardrobes and a newly fitted bathroom. Electric underfloor heating to ground floor, night storage heating and electric ceiling heating to first floor. Rear garden. Garage and parking. EPC rating: E.

£650 PCM*

NEW

STRETHAM

A very well presented two bedroom terrace house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location in the popular village of Stretham.

This recently redecorated property comprises of kitchen, lounge with laminate wood flooring and stairs to the first floor, conservatory, double bedroom with walk-in wardrobe, single bedroom and bathroom with shower over bath. Electric heating. Rear garden. Parking. EPC rating: D.

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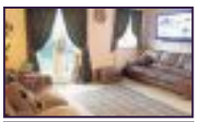

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- Cul De Sac Location
- Three Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating- Tbc

£134,995

SUTTON

- Three Bedrooms with En-Suite to Master
- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating- tbc

£155,000

CHATTERIS

- Two Bedrooms
- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Conservatory
- Energy Rating-TBC

£134,995

CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Allocated Off Road Parking Spaces
- Refitted Bathroom
- Energy Rating - D

£124,995

CHATTERIS

- Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedroom with En-Suite to Master
- Garage and Off Road Parking
- Utility Room
- Energy Rating- TBC

£237,000

CHATTERIS

- Two Bedroom Ground Floor Flat
- Refitted Kitchen & Shower Room
- Off Road Parking - EPC Rating 'D'
- Investment Buy - Tenants in Situ

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CHATTERIS

- Four Bedrooms with En-Suite to Master
- Conservatory
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- EPC Rating E

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CHATTERIS

- Three Double Bedrooms
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- Energy Rating- C

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CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms
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- Sought After Location
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Energy Rating- F

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- Energy Rating-B

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- Two Good Size Rooms
- UPVC Double Glazing
- No Upward Chain
- Courtyard Garden - EPC Rating 'D'

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CHATTERIS

- Two Double Bedrooms - EPC 'C'
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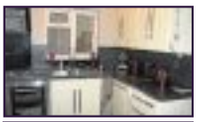

CHATTERIS

- No Upward Chain
- Three Bedroom, Semi Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating- TBC

£125,000

CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms
- No Upward Chain
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating- D

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CHATTERIS

- No Upward Chain - EPC Rating 'F'
- Two Bedrooms & Dressing Room / Nursery
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Ample Off Road Parking

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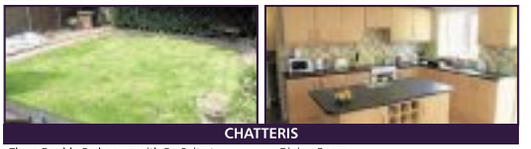

CHATTERIS

- Three Double Bedrooms with En-Suite to Master
- Kitchen/ Breakfast and Utility Room
- Dining Room
- Energy Rating-C

£179,995

CHATTERIS

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking - EPC Rating 'D'
- Investment Buy - Tenants in Situ
- Gas Fired Central Heating

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CHATTERIS

- No Chain
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CHATTERIS

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CHATTERIS

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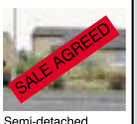

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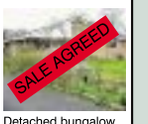

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Peter Milner, general sales manager at Murketts Vauxhall comments: "Vauxhall's free fuel event provides a great opportunity for local motorists to explore the latest range of vehicles and discover the savings and incentives available to them. We'd like to invite anyone in the area looking for a new car or van to come along to our dealership during the event weekend and find out how we can assist them."

The £500 free fuel offer is available from the dealership, which has sites in Cambridge and Huntingdon, on a wide range of new Vauxhall cars and commercial vehicles sold during the event weekend, including the New Insignia, the funky, urban-chic ADAM and the full-size Cascada convertible. Plus, the offer can also be combined with Vauxhall's existing range of offers, further helping customers to reduce the cost of motoring when buying a new vehicle.

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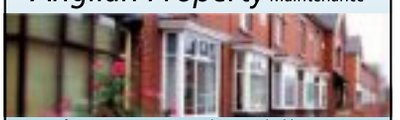
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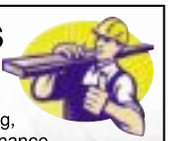

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Netball

City impress despite loss to the high-flying Hawks

CITY of Ely II showed excellent team work in their match against top-of-the-league Hawks as they went down 33-28.

The attack worked well in the circle creating great opportunities and shooting accurately.

City's defence showed their strength, intercepting balls and pressuring the opposition to make mistakes.

The match was close right to the end with Hawks just taking the win.

Katie Bedford and Liv Lawrence were jointly named player of the match for their superb defensive play.

City III restricted Pulse II to just four goals as they racked up a final tally of 76.

Ely under-16s suffered a 40-34 defeat to Cojags B.

Slower off the blocks, City were over-run in the opening minutes, but began to find momentum by quarter time.

Centre court players Eleanor Johnson and Sarah McLaughlin drove the attack to hard-working goal-attack Laura Butcher and by half time, City were only two off the pace.

Daisy Marshall and Rosie McGrath swapped positions and working together with Katie Tune, achieved numerous interceptions ably supported by Tara Gilbey, who defended very well.

Smile please: City of Ely under-16s, who lost narrowly 40-34 to Cojags B

Snooker

Perry's confidence boosted by victory

JOE Perry has put his recent upturn in form down to a confidence boost from being crowned champion at a minor ranking event back in June.

The Chatteris player (right) has not looked back since beating then-world No 1 Mark Selby in the final the Yixing Open, which was the first time he had claimed a ranking event title in his 22-year career.

Perry has since gone on to reach the last eight of the first two major tournaments of the 2013/14 season, the Wuxi Classic and Australian Open, and last week reached the semi-finals of the International Championship in China.

Although he was edged out 9-8 by eventual runner-up Marco Fu, Perry was pleased with his overall performance and believes his good start in Yixing contributed to it.

"That was a big boost to my confidence and self-belief, which had been lacking," he said. "I'd had a couple of difficult seasons and had been losing a bit of confidence.

"I haven't been doing as well in the Players Tour Championship events, but in the big tournaments my form has been good.

"I was disappointed to lose in the semi-finals, but it could have been very different. I was 5-1 down in my second match (against Jamie Jones), but came back to win 6-5 and went from there, so overall I was pleased with the week."

Perry has also been taking a leaf out of Cambridge-based Neil Robertson's book with regards to his preparation. With more and more events on the calendar each year, he is scaling back the relentless hours on the practice table to make sure he gets enough rest between tournaments.

Whereas in 2002/03, there were just eight ranking competitions – all in the British Isles – the season now features events across the globe, which has led to players being more selective about which ones they enter.

Perry is no different, particularly as he is keen to spend more time with his daughter. However, he will not be letting up just yet as he aims to secure a place back in the elite top 16 of the World Rankings before the next seeding cut-off point.

"I won't be missing any of the ones that are coming up because the next cut-off point will decide who will be playing at the Masters," said Perry, who last played at the invitational event three years ago.

Perry could seal his place there at this month's UK Championship in York, where all 128 players on the Main Tour will be battling it out for one of the most prestigious ranking titles.

"It's not just about the Masters though," said Perry, who faces James Cahill in the first round. "It's a big event and I've been in the semi-finals a couple of times.

"I haven't done so well in recent years, but I enjoy playing in York and I'm looking forward to it."

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Rugby union

Dibb dots down to complete Tigers win

ELY have gone to the top of the Greene King IPA Eastern Counties One after their 18-0 win over Southwold.

After a line-out in the corner, Ely attempted to drive forward and after the ball slipped out on 5m, Dan Coulson scooped it up to touch down, and Joel Scott Paul converted for the only score of the half.

It was more of the same in the second half, with Ely pushing into opposition territory and Southwold not looking like breaking the Tigers' defence.

Southwold conceded a penalty for not letting go of the tackled player, and Ely opted to go for the posts but Scott Paul's attempt fell just short.

The visitors conceded another penalty and Scott Paul was on target this time. Southwold kicked back and the Tigers forced their way up the field.

Close to the opposition try-line, Ely looked like scoring, but hands in the ruck hindered their efforts and Southwold were penalised yet again. Scott Paul converted another three points.

The match was halted for a serious head injury to Ely's Lloyd Palmer.

To deal with the injury, captain John Dibb hoped to end the match early, but the opposition captain disagreed and the match had to continue.

In the final play of the game, Ely won their scrum and Ed Fahy placed a clever kick over into the opposition 22. Southwold hoped to keep it alive and run it out of their territory.

Man-of-the-match Harry Rogerson was hot on the heels of the opposition full-back and a failed kick fell into the arms of Dibb, who touched down for an unconverted try.

Table tennis

Mohan on form as Haddenham beat Fulbourn

KIERAN Mohan picked up three wins as Haddenham I came from behind to beat Fulbourn III 7-3 in Ely & District League, Division One.

Nigel Bates got the better of both Christian Mohan and Patrick Mohan and Carrie Cope saw off the latter to give Fulbourn a fine start only for Kieran Mohan to spark the comeback.

Impington I earned a 6-4 victory over Ely I with Reno Phyo scoring a maximum in the singles and completing an undefeated evening by teaming up with Bob Pettit for success in the doubles.

Yohan Slama claimed a treble triumph in the singles and then produced two unreturnable serves in the doubles to clinch a 6-4 win for Fulbourn I against Soham Comrades I.

Soham and Elsworth I drew 5-5 in a close-fought encounter where neither team got more than one game ahead.

Tony Everitt recorded three wins for Soham and he linked up with Tracey Sambrook to secure doubles success over Roger Fensom and Peter Goatly to ensure a share of the spoils.

In Division Two, Ellesmere I continued their impressive form with a crushing 9-1 win over Ely II.

At 8-0, Neil Weir saved Ely from a whitewash with a five-set victory against Aldo Galea, but normal service was resumed when the unbeaten Rhys Davies and Joanne Pettitt took the doubles against Weir and Howard Middleton.

Harvey Dinkele and Tony Taylor were undefeated as Impington II thrashed Fulbourn IV 8-2.

Impington III maintained their decent record by beating Elsworth II 7-3.

The Elsworth trio of Maurice Circus, Ed Morolla and Bill Knibbs all beat Ena Catlin, but could not hold Jeff Catlin or Colin Adams in either the singles or doubles.

Fulbourn V got off to a flying start against Comrades IV, but two wins from Barry Sore and one from Chris Rule put the latter side ahead.

However, the remaining five rubbers went to Fulbourn to give them a 7-3 triumph.

In Division Three, Fulbourn VII had to call upon two players from their eighth team, but still won 9-1 against Comrades VI, who needed Ed Garrett-Jones' success to avoid a whitewash.

Ely III collected a 7-3 win over Fulbourn VIII while Countess secured a 7-3 victory at home to Fulbourn VI with Brian Mitchell and Steven Jugg achieving maximums.

Wins from Grzeg Ozog and Rob Pownall in the singles and together in the doubles helped Ely IV to a 5-5 draw against Comrades V.

Girls' football

Soham teams share the spoils in derby

IT was honours even in the derby between Soham Town Rangers under-11 girls and rivals Soham United.

A first-half goal from Talia Urvine put United 1-0 up but some good defending by Libby Coleman and some fine saves by keeper Kai Frame kept Rangers in the game.

Rangers equalised through Rhianne Williams in what was an evenly matched second half and the match finished 1-1.

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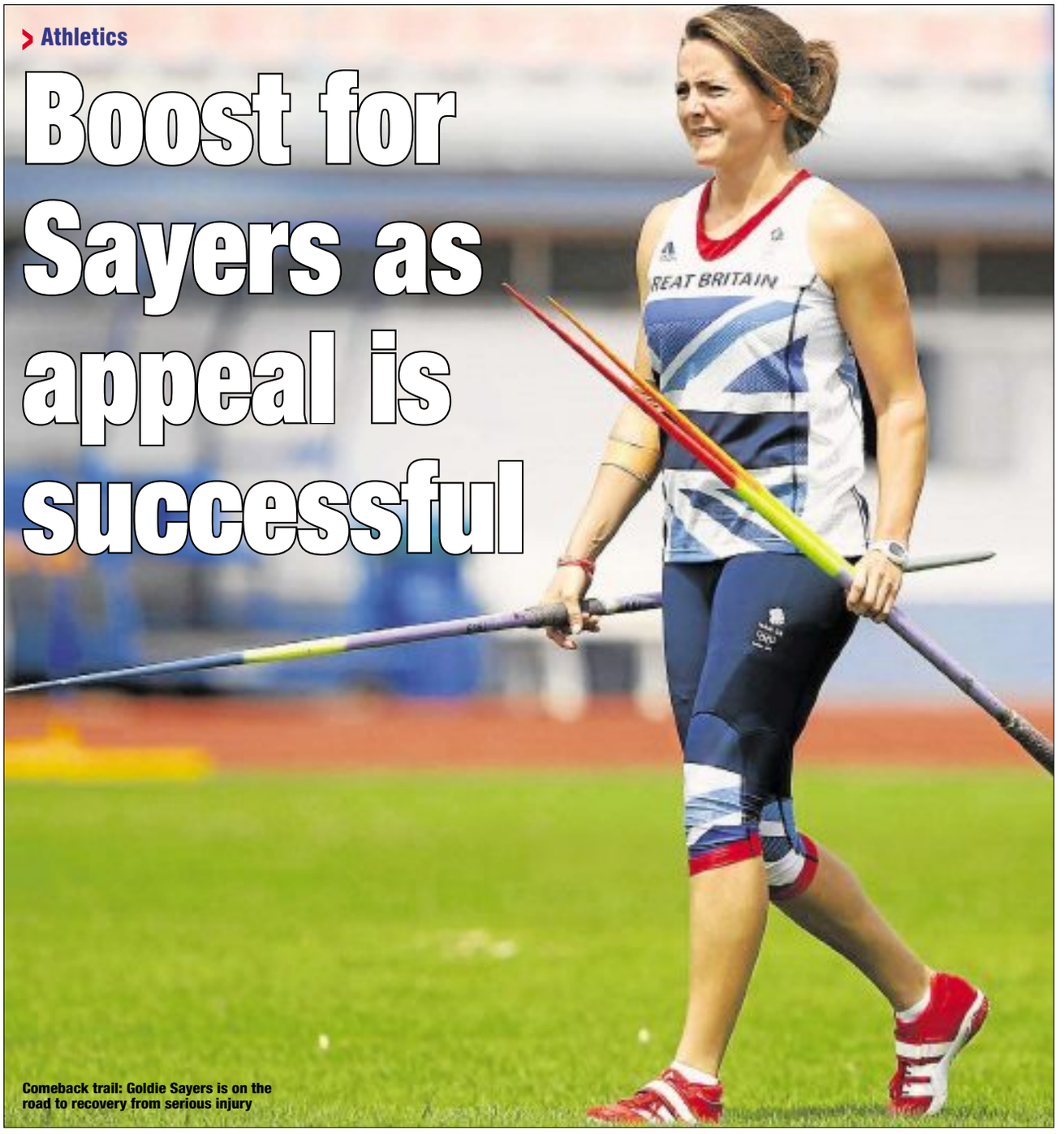

Comeback trail: Goldie Sayers is on the road to recovery from serious injury

GOLDIE Sayers has been given a winter training boost after earning her spot back on the British Athletics World Class Performance Programme for 2013/14.

The 31-year-old British javelin record holder was one of a raft of high profile names omitted from the governing body's funding programme, but the former King's School, Ely pupil competitor appealed the decision.

And Sayers, who is on her way back after 15 months out through injury, was successful in her appeal and has now been included on the World Class Performance Programme for 2013/14.

Sayers said: "I'm delighted my appeal was successful. I was naturally disappointed not to be included first time around but nonetheless I'm even more determined to make 2014 and beyond a success.

"Funding does not make you train harder or more committed, but it does make it easier for you to do certain things.

"A lot of it goes towards physio support and medical.

"I'm fully rehabbed back to throwing, but it's just a lot more difficult with things not being so on site – which I was fully prepared for.

"It's continuity of people that you are working with and it just means any little things don't become bigger problems.

"It's just having a bit more back-up on the sidelines if I need it."

After her second elbow surgery earlier this year, Sayers is now driving forwards with a normal winter training plan.

"It's really just building it back up," she said. "I'm exactly where I would be at this time of year, throwing at the same speed as I would be at this time of year. In terms of training programme, it's not modified at all."

Regarding the appeal decision, British Athletics performance director Neil Black said: "Goldie presented a very strong case for her inclusion on the World Class Performance Programme.

"The panel reviewed their original decision after being presented with Goldie's appeal submission and a decision was made to include her on the WCPP for 2013/14.

"Goldie is an excellent competitor and has applied herself brilliantly to her post-operative recovery from injury.

"British Athletics will provide her with the best treatment and support so she can get back throwing the world class distances we know she is capable of."

> Football

Stanley is at the double as Soham earn three points

LUKE Stanley's double helped Soham Town Rangers come from a goal behind early on to defeat Maldon & Tiptree 3-1 in Ryman League, Division One North.

Bradley Hunter put Maldon ahead in the fourth minute, but the visitors responded twice through Stanley (below) to lead at the interval.

James McCabe's good finish 10 minutes from time wrapped up the victory for Soham and manager Steve Fallon praised his side for the way they fought back.

"We didn't start very well, but we went on to dominate the first half and played well," said Fallon. "We should have been more than 2-1 up at half time.

"We've been playing well and we've had a few cup matches recently against teams from higher divisions than us, and we said we wanted to take that form into the league."

Stanley's two goals took him to eight in the league so far this season for Soham and Fallon believes he benefitted from a change of tactics against Maldon.

"He's a very good player," said Fallon. "We had been focusing a lot more on defence in recent games and it was leaving him a bit on his own.

"But we went a bit more attacking in this game and it seemed to suit him."

In the Thurlow Nunn League, Premier Division, Ely slipped back towards the bottom three after suffering a 4-0 defeat away to Walsham-Le Willows.

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